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WHITEAWAY'S

RETAKING OF BERBERA TRAPS ITALIANS IN WHOLE OF E. AFRICA

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, MAR. 17 (UP).—THE RECAPTURE OF BERBERA, CAPITAL OF BRITISH SOMALILAND, MEANS THAT THE BRITISH HAVE TRAPPED THE ITALIANS IN ERITREA, ITALIAN SOMALILAND AND ABYSSINIA.

The Admiralty announced last week that the small strait of Bab-el-Mandeb had been mined, closing the outlet to the Italians in Eritrea.

With the British holding the key ports in Italian and British Somalilands, the Italians there and also those in Abyssinia are isolated.

The recapture of Berbera also means it will be easier for the British to supply their forces harassing Diredawa, Jijiga and Harrar.

BOMBS ON BENITO

Successful Raids In Middle East

CAIRO, Mar. 17 (Reuter).—Further successful R.A.F. raids were announced in a Middle East R.A.F. communiqué issued in Cairo.

It is understood that the British encountered only slight opposition at Berbera where they took a number of prisoners.

It is recalled that British troops evacuated the capital last August after fighting a delaying action in face of overwhelmingly superior Italian forces.

Armoured Cars of R.A.F.

CAIRO, Mar. 17 (Reuter).—Not only R.A.F. bombers and fighters but R.A.F. armoured cars went into action with the military and navy in the successful assault on Berbera.

The part played by the R.A.F. is described in an additional communiqué issued from the Middle East Headquarters. The communiqué says: "Enemy aerodromes were heavily raided throughout the previous night and during the day, a particularly heavy attack being made on Diredawa aerodrome, and R.A.F. armoured cars took part in the capture of the town."

The communiqué adds that there were no R.A.F. casualties.

Convoys By Warships

CAIRO, Mar. 17 (UP).—It is authoritatively stated that the landing-force at Berbera was convoyed by warships. Machine-gun and artillery fire was encountered from the beach but was quickly overcome by the warships' guns. About 100 prisoners have been counted so far and others are coming in. It is understood that the British casualties were negligible.

In Eritrea very heavy attacks were made on enemy positions in and around Keren on Saturday and Sunday.

The R.A.F. also bombed and machine-gunned motor transport and troop concentrations, and also the railway and road.

Significance of Berbera

CAIRO, Mar. 17 (Reuter).—With the recapture of Berbera, the only port in British Somaliland has been wrested from the Italian grasp.

This operation by a joint naval and military force means a new threat to the Italian bases of Harrar and Diredawa.

Italy's only remaining channel to the sea from Abyssinia is the route via Asmara and Massawa, apart from the French-controlled line to Djibouti.

There is no possibility of reinforcements reaching the sorely-tried armies of the Duke of Aosta in East Africa.

The latest news from Keren suggests that British pressure is being intensified and victory at Keren will lay open the whole of Eritrea.

Once the last shreds of Italian resistance have been overpowered, the whole Imperial forces in north-east

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NORDS MUST HUG COAST Shipping Rules

LONDON, Mar. 17 (Reuter).—German nervousness regarding Norwegian coastal shipping finds expression in a fresh decree limiting its freedom of movement and enacting penalties that may extend to death, according to the Norwegian telegraph agency.

It is specified that the gold and silver exchange agency of the Central Bank of China will be responsible for appraising and cashing such ornaments.

The authorities reserve the right of refusing acceptance of certain types of payment in kind which cannot be readily converted into cash.

The new order, which is issued by the Reich's Commissar, forbids coastal vessels to leave a Norwegian port without permission from the German authorities. It decrees that no vessel shall depart from the route set out in the permit.

Fishing craft are forbidden to sail outside the limit of the Norwegian coastal waters which extend to a limit of 30 miles from the coast, while pleasure craft, sailing and other boats are forbidden to go more than three miles from the coast.

High explosive bombs crashed into a church crypt where a large number of people were taking shelter and many were killed.

Another public shelter was hit causing many deaths.

Official Communiqué

LONDON, Mar. 17 (UP).—An Air Ministry communiqué states that high explosive bombs caused a fire which did "considerable damage" in a west England town during air raid last night, lasting some hours.

WAR BONDS FOR BROOCHES

Paying In Kind

CHUNGKING, Mar. 17 (Central News).—For the convenience of those who like to dispose of their gold and silver ornaments, bullion or other things readily convertible into cash, the War Loan Campaign Committee has announced a set of regulations concerning subscription to the 1940 issue of government bonds by "paying in kind."

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British Honour Gen. Papagos

LONDON, Mar. 17 (Reuter).—The Greek Commander-in-Chief, General Alexander Papagos, is to be made an honorary Knight Grand Cross (Military Division) of the Order of the British Empire, it was announced in London to-night.

JAPANESE TALKS IN N.E.I.

—Friendly

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BATAVIA, Mar. 17 (Domei).—The Japanese Ambassador, Mr Kenkichi Yoshizawa, chief delegate to the Japanese-Dutch economic conversations, will leave on Friday for a visit to Medan on the north-eastern part of the island.

Mr Yoshizawa met Mr H. J. van Mook, Director of Economic Affairs of the Netherlands East Indies Government, on Saturday for 40 minutes in a friendly atmosphere.

Nanking Official Assassinated

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

SHANGHAI, Mar. 18 (UP).—A gunman shot and killed Hu Shao-ling, a pro-Wang Ching-wei official at 10 o'clock last night in the Shanghai department store area with hundreds of persons were on the street.

The gunman fired two shots which killed Hu, then混了 with the crowds and escaped. Papers found on Hu identified him as a Nanking official.

Bristol People Trapped By Lull in Air "Blitz"

Special to the "Telegraph"

BRISTOL, Mar. 17 (UP).—A lull between two air raids here last night fooled many people who left the air raid shelters and went to bed. They were caught in an intense "blitz" in which there were many casualties, including some killed.

There were a number of casualties, including people killed. Bombs were also dropped on a number of other districts but the total damage was small and very few casualties were caused. One enemy aircraft was shot down and destroyed.

Other districts mentioned in the communiqué surround the town which was subjected to the blitz. In east Scotland bombs fell on wasteland without damage. A light raid was destroyed last night this being the 30th within eight days and the 42nd for the month of March,

An Australian Finds Words

Tribute To Churchill

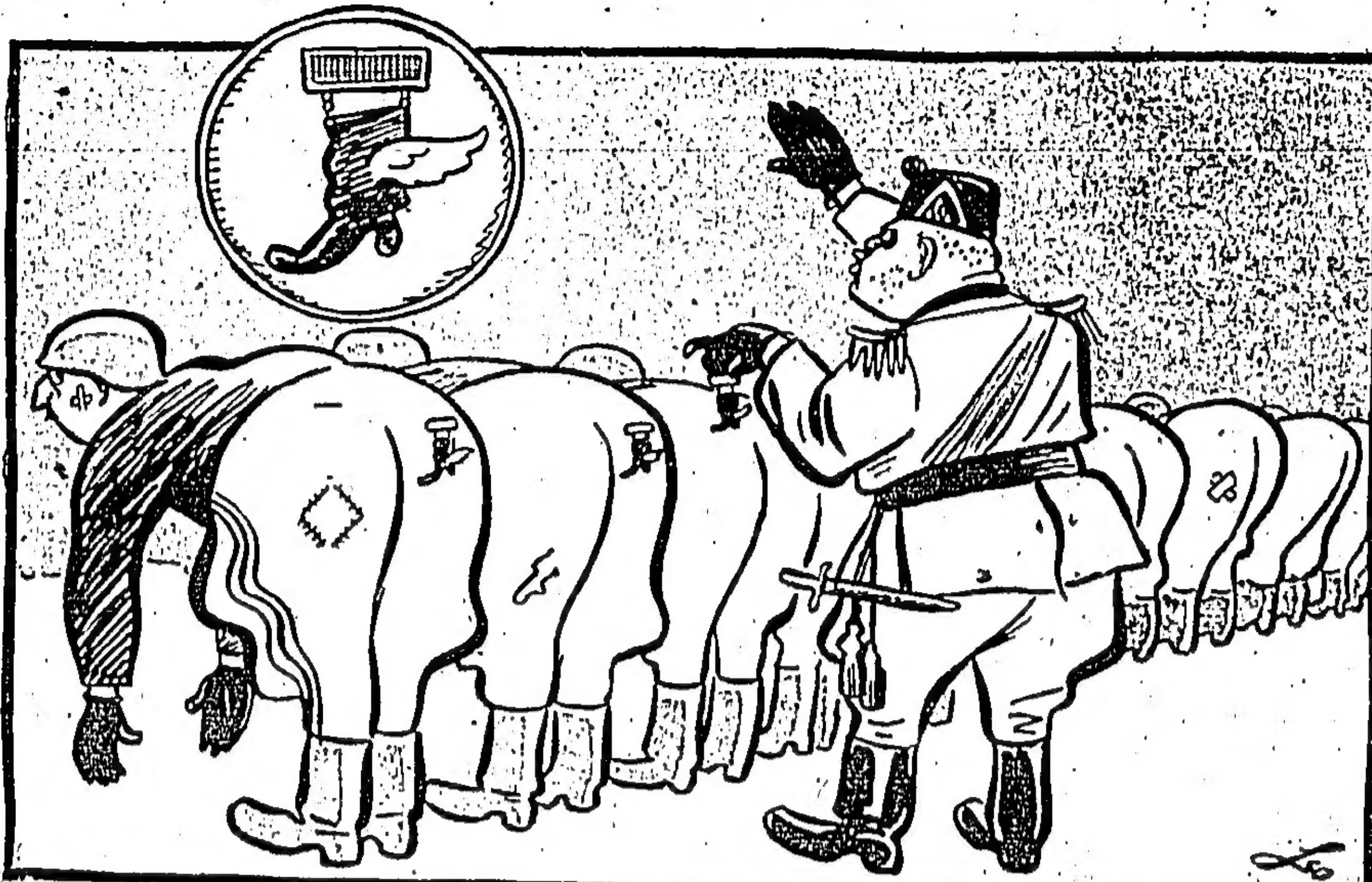
LONDON, Mar. 17 (Reuter).—"Mr Churchill is to use an Australian phrase, 'a bobby dizzler,' and a real 'crackerjack' who thrives on combat."

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Mr Menzies described Hitler as "the views of Alice in Wonderland that 'What I say three times is true'—except that Hitler says it thirty times and it is still untrue."

New Order in Albania



NEWS ITEM: Mussolini awards Italy's highest decoration to three entire regiments for gallantry in Albania. With acknowledgments to "P.M."

U. S. Seeks Largest Air Force In World

ARMED U. S. AID FOR BRITAIN

WASHINGTON, Mar. 17 (Reuter).—Steps to implement America's pledge to Britain mentioned to-day are firstly, the early release to Britain of a further considerable number of over-age destroyers; and secondly, the giving, shortly, of armed naval aid.

Legislative circles spoke privately but very definitely regarding destroyers while the naval aid report was given by Mr William Simms, chief writer on foreign affairs in the Scripps-Howard newspapers.

Hands Are Full

Mr Simms asserts that armed aid, particularly naval aid, is foreseen as a virtual certainty following the President's speech on Saturday. He adds that it is believed in Washington that Britain's hands are too full effectively to fight off the new submarine menace and a new kind of help from America may become vital in view of President Roosevelt's statement that America would not cease and until the "tyrants are totally defeated."

Fully qualified observers, Mr Simms adds, feel that giving over-age destroyers and mosquito boats is only a temporary measure to be followed by intervention by the United States Navy and the transfer of merchant shipping.

Workers Needed

WASHINGTON, Mar. 17 (Reuter).—Vital defence industries were reported officially to-day to be facing a rapidly dwindling supply of skilled labour just when the Government is preparing to give effect to the British Air programme by increasing armament orders by over 60 per cent.

This was made clear at a conference of the Metal Trades Management and Labour representatives with the United States Production Chiefs, Mr William Knudsen and

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Society Beauties & Factory Girls to Work Together

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, Mar. 17 (UP).—Daughters of the English peerage as well as Bertha the Beautiful Clothes Model, and Tillie the Toiler, were warned to-day by the Minister of Labour and National Service, Mr Ernest Bevin, to ready to line up April 19 when every girl in Britain who is 20 years of age, will register for war work. Their 21 year old sisters will register a few days later.

Following the registration, National Service officials in their respective districts will interview each girl and give her a choice of jobs, after determining her fitness. Service officials have the power to compel a girl to take the job they deem best, although Mr Bevin said they would try, as far as possible, to permit their choices and enable them to work near their homes.

He asserted: "We are going to use common sense in this registration—for example, we will not call up expectant mothers." Asked if brides would be given three months exemption, Mr Bevin said it would not be possible.

He emphasised that the women's auxiliary services still needed volunteers and it was still possible to volunteer for war work, adding, "it is the supreme test of citizenship to offer one's hands and body for essential jobs."

LATEST

Food For France Exmouth Leaves U.S.

JERSEY CITY, Mar. 17 (Reuter).—The steamship Exmouth loaded to its top-decks with an American Red Cross cargo of food, clothing, medicines and surgical supplies to the value of \$1,200,000.

Three hundred tons of oatmeal and farina remained on the quay-side as the British refused to allow it through the blockade.

There were no passengers. The clearance granted by Britain and Germany for March 7 was delayed because Italy needed more time to notify her naval units.

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SARAH SIMPLE, PREMIERE For Services

A special performance of "Sarah Simple" by the Hongkong Amateur Dramatic Society has been arranged for men of the Services to-night, at the China Fleet Club Theatre.

A. C. A. Milne's play is very light fare, full of amusing and swift dialogue and scenes and it provides admirable distraction from the cares of war, income tax and evacuation.

The opening night is to-morrow and the play will run until Saturday. Book for seats, at \$3.50, \$2.20 and \$1.10, is being handled by the Anderson Music Co., and it would be as well to book as soon as possible as the last nights are already heavily booked.

The number of invitations accepted by the Services for to-night promises a full house for this comedy of the vagabond who married the wrong man as co-respondent when his wife left him. This slip leads to complications, and trying situations on his charming wife's sudden return just as he is attempting to establish a liaison with the attractive but conventionally minded widow of a Canon.

The cast is headed by Sheila Mackinlay as the lovely Sarah Simple, Claude Burges as her cork-screw inventing husband, and Day Sage as the attractive widow, part which carries some of the most shattering lines in the play.

Joan Critchell and Tim Fortescue are the soulful, adolescent twins, and W. E. Kirby gives a cameo of a depressed detective-minded pub walter. Contributed.

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The existing scale of discounts will remain in force.

By order of the Board of Directors,

D. W. MUNTON,
Manager.

Hongkong, 8th March, 1941.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

E. COCK,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1941.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held in the P. & O. Building, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong, at 11.15 o'clock in the forenoon on Thursday, the 20th day of March, 1941, or as soon thereafter as the Ordinary General Meeting of the Company shall have terminated for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following resolutions:

"1. That the Directors be and they are hereby authorised to "capitalise the sum of \$3,000,000 Hongkong currency, part of the "undivided profits of the Company standing to the credit of "the Company's Reserve Fund, "and to allot to the members "holding shares of the Company "as on the first day of April "One thousand nine hundred "and forty-one in respect of the "net amount capitalised fully "paid shares of the Company "of equivalent nominal value in "the proportion of one share for "every three shares of the Company "held by them respectively "and that such shares so allotted "shall rank for dividends as "from the 1st day of July, 1941.

"2. That if on such distribution as aforesaid any person "would be entitled to a fractional share the Directors shall "in lieu of issuing fractional "certificates, cause the whole "share to be allotted to a person "or persons to be named by the "Directors and such share shall, "at such time as the Directors "think fit, be sold and the proceeds distributed amongst the "persons entitled to the fractions making up such share."

By order of the Board of Directors.

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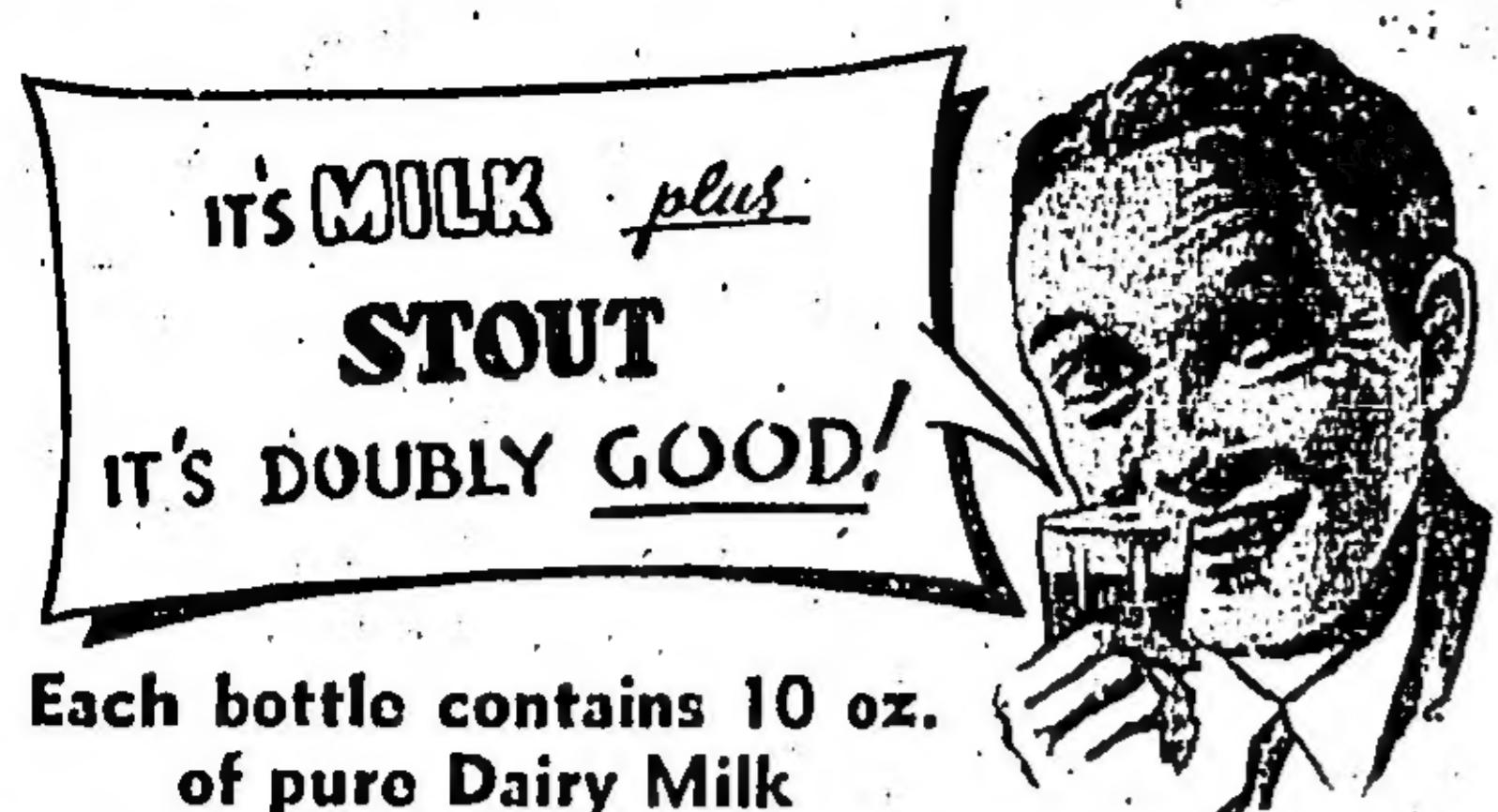
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DEATH

SADICK.—Christine, aged 27 years, beloved wife of O. Sadick, this morning at her residence at No. 52 Yiu Ng Road. Funeral will take place this afternoon passing the Monument at 5 p.m.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

Tuesday, March 18, 1941.

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HITLER'S HEADACHE

CHARLIE may have intended solely to satirise Hitler in "The Great Dictator", yet Charlie's imaginative study of the Fuehrer as a spoilt, bad-tempered little boy who screams and raves when things don't go as he wants them to, comes very near the truth judged in the light of Hitler's latest speech to his people. It consisted of nothing but vague, generalised boastings and threats of what he and his military forces were going to do to Britain and her Allies. And these boastings were the product not of confidence, but of irateness and desperation caused by frustration of his magical schemes to eliminate Britain, his greatest and most deadly foe.

For these are the facts which Hitler had to face up to during the week-end, but which, to his own people, he would not admit: Britain had forestalled him in his Balkans quest by placing a formidable army in Greece ready to withstand any invasion from Bulgaria; Yugoslavia, undoubtedly encouraged by this fact, had told Hitler to go and play in his lake at Berchtesgaden before they would sign away their freedom to him; The great Italian offensive launched under the personal direction of Mussolini has become a fiasco and a disaster—the Italians have lost some 50,000 men and have not regained an inch of territory; the Lend and Lease Bill has become immediately operative and already new supplies are being rushed across the Atlantic to Britain; Hitler's night raiders have given the worst beating since the start of the war, providing fresh emphasis to the fact that the Luftwaffe is being blown, but surely driven out of the skies.

These are sober, unchallengeable facts; to Hitler, horrid and disconcerting. Already there are signs that the neurotic dictator is losing his initiative; actions are again giving precedence to words, and his policies are becoming more and more generalised. A few months ago, he assured the German nation that the invasion of Britain was simply a question of him selecting the time for it; now he has fallen back on the defensive; invasion of England is dropped; instead he is "ready" to meet Britain on any soil, on any seas and over any territory, which suggests that he is waiting for Britain to choose the venue, in the hope, presumably, that she will choose one which gives the Nazis the most advantage. It is a striking example of

SEA POWER and the WORLD WAR

The brilliant military campaign which has ejected the means, rests with the British armies of invasion tish. The result is that British from Egyptian soil and tish warships have been able to throw them back in dis-to bombard the Italian order into Libya, was only forces in the rear from the made possible by sea power, sea, and the supply of rein-

Whien Italy intervened in forcements and materials, the war her main task was including petrol and water, to assist Germany in defeat by sea to the Italian forces invading the British Empire by in Libya, is made more difficult Egypt and secur-sicut.

ing control of the Suez On the other hand sup- Canal. This would have plies can be carried by sea facilitated the German drive to the British advancing through the Balkans and forces, and their wounded Turkey to the oilfields of and prisoners evacuated by Iraq and Persia. water. Another result of

By Lord Strabolgi

The correct strategy was this failure to risk all on a for the Italian Navy to be great naval engagement is concentrated and to seek a that the Italian Navy is un-decisive engagement with a able to help its army against numerically inferior British the Greeks by creating Fleet based on Alexandria, diversions on the coast of Apparently the Italian Greece or, by sending sea Higher Command believed expeditions to operate in the that the same object could Aegean.

be achieved by evasive or guerilla tactics. They hoped that the blockade of Italy continues to lure the British Fleet within striking distance of their own Air Force and thus to win a naval battle without risking their six battleships, the backbone of the Italian Navy.

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This was a strategical mistake of the first order, and is similar to the blunder made by the German High Command at the beginning of the last war. Then there was a favourable period when the British Fleet could have been engaged with

some hope of success, but the same mistake was made of trying to preserve intact the main German Fleet.

In the event it was the Italian Fleet which was damaged by air attack, three, or possibly four, of their large ships being damaged at Taranto, and another one in the brief long-range action off Sardinia. The result is that the main

Italian battle fleet is seriously reduced in numbers, and the command of the Eastern

It had been widely held by students of war that superior air power would be able to counteract superior naval power. This has not happened in practice except in the abnormal case of the invasion of Norway. There the threat of air attack prevented the full use of British and French naval power on the German lines of communication. Since then there has been more experience in countering air attack on warships at sea while the German air superiority has been much reduced.

The great shipbuilding programme in Britain is bearing fruit, and every month increases the effectiveness of superior naval control.

The Boy Who Started Life on a Shoe-string!



THE FARCE OF THE REICHSTAG

THE great shadow show with much noise has again been enacted in long-suffering Berlin. Hitler, having returned from one of his tours to the defeated, called the Reichstag to tell his hirings all about his adventures.

What a farce. Just a few yards away from the Kroll Opera House is to be found the original Reichstag building which was supposed to have been burned to the ground by the dastardly Communist conspiracy in the early days of Hitler's dictatorship. Actually in that same fire only a very small portion of the great building was burned out that of the original democrati-

But this solemn farce, which takes the place of the one time freely elected Parliament, is a sad tawdry affair. And es-

By Norman Hillson

especially elected chamber of deputies. In point of fact there the Europe of a happier hour, are many who think it was a So many Parliaments have topology the flames did not do more paled in a decade, in far less.

The Reichstag was a real Parliament. It was elected by popular suffrage of both male and female adults, and the people retained the right of referendum and the initiation of laws. Hitler changed all that.

Hitler is well aware of this. If the Reichstag had survived it could never in Nazi eyes have been a worthy setting for the body of Nazi nominees who travel to Berlin to cheer the fulminations of Adolf Hitler. For that reason the burned out chamber is kept in its charred state as a reminder to good citizens of the dastardly methods of with sufficient vigour at the cry Communism, although it is of the cheer leaders, their names are noted and a convenient opportunity is taken to remove them to another sphere of usefulness.

Mussolini, like all dictators, also deprived the Italians of a constitutional parliament. One of the dearly prized privileges of those Italians who laboured for the unification of their land was the written constitution known as the Statuto.

This document established Italy as a constitutional monarchy with a Senate of 303 members and a Chamber, elected by adult suffrage of 550.

The system, even with the volatile Italians, worked very well, but it was not good enough for Mussolini and his Blackshirts. He swept the old Chamber away while still nominally retaining the Senate. The Chamber to-day is a "second-class" corporation. Its members are supposed to be elected. What actually happens is that the voters as a whole are presented with a list of candidates, all naturally ardent and active Fascists, whom they must elect, or reject, willy-nilly. Of course they always elect.

Now this rascal Quisling in Norway is also sowing the game of the more successful adventurers. He is in progress of abolishing the famous Storting. Storting was the name given to the Norwegian Parliament of 150 members. One hundred of these sat in an upper chamber known as the Lading and the rest in a lower house called the Nobility. This last body was the more important for as in our own system it controlled all money bills.

One day a better time will return to the world. Let us hope that that better time will bring about a revival of the great Parliamentary Institutions, yes, even the Reichstag.

Last of the Biplanes

British, Canadian and Australian fighter pilots have recently been gaining glory in the Gladiator, calling to encounters over the Western mind the fighter in the arena. Desert with fighter and bomber. Although speed is not its great asset, probably no aircraft has ever been designed more suited to the close and intricate manoeuvres of air fighting. Some of the most spectacular aeronautics and breathtaking formation flying seen at Hendon

Displays before the war were carried more appropriately named cursor engine of 840 h.p. gives it a top speed of around 255 m.p.h.

During the Norway campaign a squadron of Gladiators distinguished itself in an epic fight against immense climatic difficulties and overwhelming odds. Operating from an improvised landing ground, 17 out of 18 Gladiators were lost in two days continuous fighting; but heavy losses were inflicted on the enemy.

Gladiators have since exacted their full revenge, in combat against the Italian invaders of Greece and Egypt, though often fighting against superior numbers. In one fight in Egypt recently, six Gladiator pilots met and routed 18 Fiat C.R.42 fighters; in another, four Australians, flying Gladiators, smashed a formation of 17 C.R.42's; whilst the exploits of

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loss of confidence, but if he imagines that his blustering are capable of luring the British leaders into a false move, he displays a typically naive understanding of British intelligence. The situation is developing quite nicely for Britain and she can afford to wait before she makes the supreme move which will overthrow Hitler.

Technically, the Gladiator may be described as a single-seat, equal-span, biplane with metal structure fuselage and "Lucky B" flight in clearing wings. Wing span is about 32 ft. The Italians have

feet—five feet less than the Spitfire—already made history.

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The following is an outline of the measures to be enforced as from April 1 for examination of ocean-going export cargo and outward passengers' luggage, as supplied by Mr E. W. Hamilton, Superintendent of Imports and Exports:

Ocean-Going Cargo

(1) Shippers to be notified that all cargo for loading into ocean-going ships must be weighed and/or measured by the Sworn Measurers ashore to enable concurrent examination of contents by Revenue Officers. It will be necessary for them to give the Sworn Measurers Office at least 24 hours notice of the time and place their cargo will be ready for inspection.

(2) Shipping orders for all export ocean-going cargo, including transhipment cargo, must be presented to the Imports and Exports Department (anti-sabotage sub-department) before the loading on board ship at which office shipping orders will be stamped; (a) Passed for free loading, (in the case of exemption from examination), or (b) Examined and passed.

N.B. A thin leaf is required on the Shipping Order form, giving the usual particulars, for purposes of the Imports and Exports Office, and shipping companies are requested to have this three-leaf shipping order form prepared for early issue. A loose sheet affixed with particulars required will be accepted in the interim.

(3) Shipping Orders when presented to the Imports and Exports Department shall be accompanied by a declaration (a) on a special form signed by a responsible member of the shippers' firm, or by the individual shipper, that the contents of the packages are exactly as described and that they undertake to ship only such cargo as is described thereon, together with Examined Certificate (b) issued by the examining Revenue Officer.

N.B. The Declaration may be dispensed with in the case of transhipment cargo where ownership of the goods is not vested locally.

(4) No cargo to be loaded into any ocean-going ship unless the relative Shipping Order has been "passed"; that is endorsed by one or other of the official release stampers properly certified by covering initial, viz: (a) Passed for free loading; (b) examined and passed.

Procedure

Ocean-going cargo.—Examination will be carried out in conjunction with the operations of the Sworn Measurers. All ocean-going cargo must therefore be weighed and/or measured ashore. A selected number of packages will be opened up for inspection of contents by the examining Revenue Officer and shippers or owners of cargo shall assist in this work and be prepared to repack immediately any packages that may be opened for search. The Examining Revenue Officer will stamp the exterior of the package and issue an "Examined Certificate" (b) to the exporter which document must be handed in to the Imports and Exports Department (anti-sabotage sub-department) together with the Shipping Order, and formal declaration of contents (a) to obtain release for shipment.

The third leaf of the Shipping Order form will be retained by the Imports and Exports Office.

It is expected that the Sworn Measurers' services and the accurate weighing examination will not be called for until the cargo is about to be loaded, in the event of any intervening delay occurring, it may be required to submit the cargo to further inspection and search at a time and place to be directed.

Steamship agents are requested to forward to the Imports and Exports Department (anti-sabotage sub-department) a copy of their engagement list of cargo as supplied to the Sworn Measurers.

Transhipment Cargo

Transhipment cargo on through bill of lading to be handled only by and landed only into approved godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Holt's Wharf, China Provident Loan and Mortgage Co., and the China Navigation Co., Ltd.

Steamship agents are required to forward to the Imports and Exports Department (anti-sabotage sub-department) a separate return of all

transhipment cargo it is intended to load in any ocean-going steamer with particulars of origin and place of storage and to present Shipping Orders for endorsement.

Cargo at the Kowloon Godowns and Holt's Wharf will be examined on application to, and released for shipment by the European Revenue Officer on duty thereat. For transhipment cargo stored in the China Provident Co.'s and China Navigation Co.'s godowns at West Point, application is to be made to the Imports and Exports Department (anti-sabotage sub-department) who will detail an officer to examine and release the cargo for shipment. As soon as release is effected, the cargo is to be loaded direct to the exporting vessel by the Godown Companies concerned.

Ship to ship transhipment cargo on through bill of lading (except at the Kowloon and Holt's Wharves when the same procedure affecting cargo ex their godowns will apply) will be examined as directed by the anti-sabotage officer in accordance with the particular circumstances.

Passengers' Baggage
Cabin Passengers.—(1) Vessels alongside Kowloon Godown Co.'s and Holt's Wharves.—All heavy baggage to be sent in advance to the respective Godown Co.'s depots (as now customary with all Mail lines). The Revenue Officers stationed in Kowloon will inspect in the godowns by appointment prior to loading on board ship.

Steamship Companies must instruct their passengers that keys should be given their forwarding agents, or the Godown Companies, to permit of any packages being opened for examination. Failure in complying may result in locked boxes being forcibly opened.

(2) Vessels alongside Wharves in Victoria or lying in the stream. All heavy baggage to be brought to Queen's Pier, at a pre-arranged time and notified by the steamer's agents, where Revenue Officer will be sent to examine and pass it. Keys must be produced. After examination the baggage shall be immediately loaded on to steam launch, or towed craft, for direct conveyance to the ship.

This order does not apply to River steamers.

(3) Cabin baggage, or hand baggage, in the case of both (1) and (2) will be searched on coming aboard by ship's guards or personnel assisted by the Revenue Officer on duty.

Emigrant Ships

Emigrants and Deck Passengers.—An emigrant ship, when ready to take on board her deck passengers, shall shift to the Emigration Anchorage where all deck passengers will embark at a pre-arranged time notified to the Imports and Exports Department (anti-sabotage sub-department) and the Harbour Office. This shall be in sufficient time prior to the hour fixed for the medical inspection and counting. No deck passengers to be allowed on board before the appointed time.

Only a limited number of boarding house runners issued with a pass by the steamer's agents and distinguished by an armband will be permitted to board the ship and must leave immediately their work is accomplished.

Passengers to board ship by the gangways only and inspection will take place as they file up on deck and then, or in the rounds of search, the Revenue Officers will open up for examination any of the baggage they may think necessary.

In cases where the ship is exempt from going to the Emigration Anchorage, deck passengers must not be allowed on board until the loading of cargo is completed. The same procedure for inspection and examination of baggage will be otherwise followed.

Deck Passengers

Ordinary Deck Passengers.—Steamship Companies shall notify the Imports and Exports Department (anti-sabotage sub-department) of the expected time of sailing, in the same manner they are presently obliged to notify the Police, and examination of luggage will be carried out by the Revenue Officers in conjunction with the Police search.

It is required that steamship Companies employing preventive staffs, or ship's watchmen, will instruct this personnel to co-operate in the examination and search of passengers' luggage.

This order does not apply to River steamers.

Once a passenger has embarked on board a ship he should not be allowed to go ashore again. Should a passenger be found to be missing before a ship sails, his luggage and cabin should be carefully and thoroughly examined and searched at once.

Large Units Cricket Tourney

The semi-final of the Large Units Cricket Tournament between Royal Engineers and Royal Artillery will be played at Sookkimpoo to-morrow afternoon. The two sides will meet the Combined Small Units in the final on Thursday, March 27, at Sookkimpoo.

Navy Fifteen

The following will represent Navy against Club "A" at Happy Valley at 5 p.m. to-morrow: S/Ldr. Wright; Sub-Lt. McGill; L/Ts. Paul, P. O. Wilson, L/Tel. Howden; Lt. G. C. Rutherford; Sub-Lt. Danger; Sub-Lt. Farren; L/Sgt. Flynn; L. A. C. Stockham; P. W. King; Yeo; Ingalls; Lt. Watson; L. S. A. Palmer.

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VICTIMS OF PLANE CRASH CREMATED

B. Wong & K. C. Wu

The funeral of Messrs Bernard Wong and K. C. Wu, pilots of the China National Aviation Corporation, who were killed in a plane crash in Kiangsi on the night of January 24, was held yesterday.

Prior to cremation of the remains at the Hindu Crematorium, a service was held at Anderson's Funeral Parlour, Caroline Hill, Mr Andrew S. C. Soong officiating.

There was a large gathering at the service, including Mr W. L. Bond, Vice-President, and Mr S. Y. Chao, Hongkong Manager of the C.N.A.C., Mr H. L. Woods, Mr and Mrs R. Leonard, Mr and Mrs R. W. Pottschmidt, Mrs T. Haynie, Mrs Johnson, Messrs W. C. McDonald, Dan En-ki, P. Y. Wong, G. D. Tye, S. F. Wung, T. Young, C. Y. Lee and members of the staffs of the C.N.A.C., Pan American Airways and Eurasia Aviation Corporation.

Wreaths were sent by Mr W. C. McDonald, Mr and Mrs T. Haynie, Mr and Mrs W. Bond, Mr and Mrs S. C. Soong, Mr and Mrs W. Wong, Mr and Mrs Chao, Mr and Mrs W. Wong, Gung-man, Mr and Mrs Lee Kwan-lee, Messrs L. H. Lock, G. D. Tye, Chen, W. Lee, Lee Leng, A. F. Lin, K. W. Wong, W. C. Lee, T. H. Wong, George H. Huang, F. L. Higgs, P. H. H. Wong, Wong Kwang-yeu, Ip Yu-ling, Bing Chu, Ng Chee-hung, Yun Chong, Kwai Leung, Wong, Wong, Wong, Wong, Wong, Wong, Kin-chor, Hung Kual-chu, Yue Chu, Luon Chee, Kwoi Chu, Hung, Yeo, Keung, Kwoi-yeu, Chung, Yin-yung, Hong, Wong, Lee, Lam, Pan, Lin-chu, and Staffs of China National Airlines, Pan American Airways and Eurasia Aviation Corp.

Two of the accused were sentenced to 16 months' imprisonment, two more to 15 months and the remainder were bound over.

All were excluded for ten years from participation in public affairs, thus automatically depriving them of seats in the Municipal Council.

JUSTICE IN NAZI NORWAY Judges Over-Ruled

LONDON, Mar. 17 (Reuters).—The new People's Court established by Quisling in Oslo has already begun work.

Sixteen labour members of the Oslo Municipal Council, were accused of having taken part in a "demonstration" against the "New Order" and "having" acted in a counter-revolutionary manner.

The two judges held that there was no case against the accused since they did not bear guilty of any overt act. The judges, however, were overruled by the Presiding Magistrate and two lay magistrates who were all supporters of the National Socialist (Quisling Party) placed in their positions to ensure that there was always a majority for Nazi "justice."

The Sentence

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Statement On Sale Of U. K. Stock

LONDON, Mar. 17 (Reuters).—A British Treasury statement on the sale of British holdings in the American Viseco Corporation says that 90 per cent. of a public issue to be made in the United States will go to the Treasury.

The shares now sold totalled 446,000 shares which were held by Courtauld Limited (the great British rayon concern). The price to be paid to Courtauld will be settled between the Company and the Treasury or by arbitration.

This is the first fruit of the Pen-cok mission, which was to examine the possibility of making the best of British investments in the United States.

Determination

The statement adds: "The sale of this valuable holding to American interests is evidence of the determination of the British Government to use every possible means of self-help to the best of which they are receiving from the Government of the United States the assistance of assistance set out in President Roosevelt's great speech on Saturday."

William Hearst Speaks Out For Mr Roosevelt

NEW YORK, Mar. 17 (Reuters).—We are in the conflict now, irretrievably involved in it," is the comment of Mr. William Randolph Hearst, the American newspaper magnate, on President Roosevelt's speech in today's "New York Journal-American."

Mr. Hearst described the speech as "good," adding: "The United States has been brought into war by a masterly series of good speeches. We must unite in standing by the Government we have elected and the policy we have determined upon. There is only one way out of our situation now and that is by victory."

Civil Service Team

The following will represent Civil Service C.C. in a Junior League celebrity match against Police on Saturday:

H. E. Strange (Capt.), G. Almoe, J. Barrow, G. Davidson, P. E. Lawrence, T. Lockhart, J. MacGowran, J. Mitchell, M. E. Smith, G. Stone, A. Watson.

It is proposed in the first instance to employ the selected candidates in British military families and hospitals.

LONDON saw its first Italian prisoners recently, survivors from the 13 planes brought down over the Thames Estuary. A few people at the station were angry and booted. Most gave a tolerant smile to the prisoners, one of whom (below) swaggered his way past whistling.



New Order Industrial Agenda

SPECIAL TO THE TELEGRAPH
TOKYO, Mar. 17 (Dowell).—The Heavy Industry Committee of the East Asia Economic Council meeting at the Imperial Hotel to-day discussed measures for securing materials, technique and labour for key industries in Japan, Manchukuo and China.

The Committee endorsed the economic construction co-ordination programme for Japan, Manchukuo and China which has recently been decided upon by the Cabinet Council and has decided to establish a permanent agency designed to maintain closer liaison among different industries, effect mutual adjustment of important industries, improve production and distribution, and simplify negotiations with Government authorities.

Work With Government

The projected agency will also co-operate with Government authorities for the mobilisation of materials, control of the demand and supply of materials, adjustment of labour among Japanese, Manchukuo and Chinese industries, and distribution of technicians.

Women Doctors For The Army

NEW DELHI, Mar. 17 (Reuters).—A number of posts in the British military medical services in India will be opened to British women medical practitioners, it is announced.

The selected candidates will be attached to the R.A.M.C. as medical officers with military status but without commission.

It is proposed in the first instance to employ the selected candidates in British military families and hospitals.

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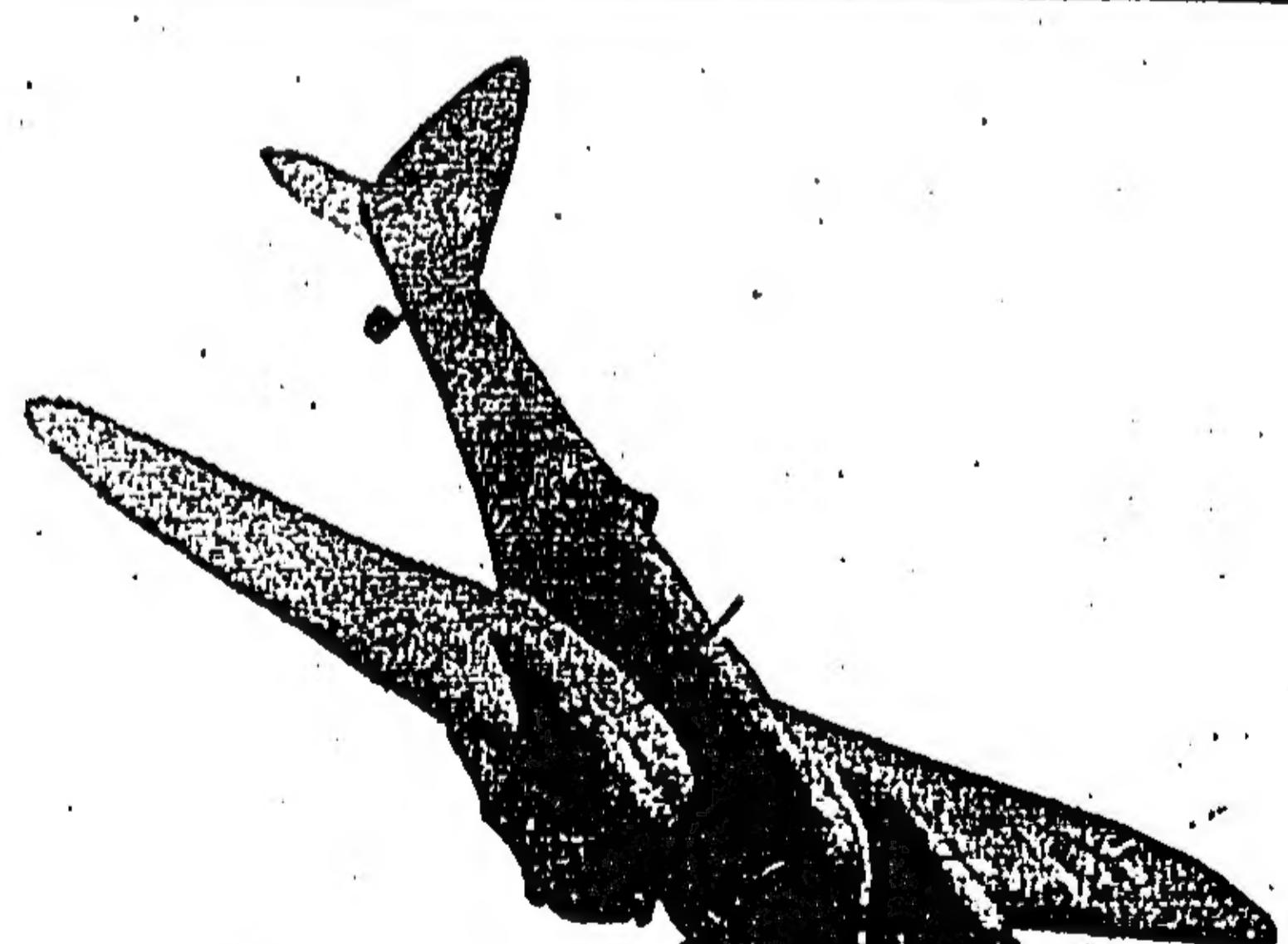
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"R. Abbit's" Cricket Comments**Turning Back The Pavilion Clock****Players Of Thirty Years Ago
When "Tam" Pearce Was A Bowler
Few As Good To-day**

THERE was one match played off on Saturday last, a very unpleasant day, and not a wildly exciting game, though the result was of great importance to Recreio, as it now puts them very nearly on terms with K.C.C. 2nd Eleven who have to win their next match outright to get ahead of them.

The Recreio 2nd XI, who have shown considerable strength in batting, were taking no chances about going on too long, and a stand between A. G. Noronha (69 not out) and P. M. N. Silva (41 not out) enabled them to declare at 140 for 2 wickets.

The innings showed a rate of scoring of 5 runs per over which, considering the heaviness of the outfield, was not so bad.

A Collapse

At one time when F. A. Curreen and A. R. Suffield were together, it seemed as if the Indians might do something, but once the second wicket stand was broken there was a complete collapse.

M. A. Remedios took 4 for 14, and E. M. L. Soures 4 for 12, and eventually the whole side was out for 58 runs, after having had 43 for 1 on the board.

It is greatly to be hoped that the improved weather which exists today (Monday), when I am writing these notes, will lead to a fine weekend and to some really cheerful cricket.

Old Days

As there is no active cricket to write about, it has occurred to me that my readers may be interested by a few reminiscences of cricket as I saw it in my early days in the Colony. I may be inaccurate but it will be more in dates than in facts.

Things were rather complicated in that for the 1911/12 and 1912/13 seasons I was playing rugger and living out at the Rest House, Taipa (now the Police Bungalow) all the week. At first, our present Colonial Secretary, G. R. Sayer, W. Schofield (the last two both retired now) shared the Mess, but I think I was the only one to go in regularly to play rugger, and Tommy King, as he was then known, always found me a camp-bed-in-a-small-study-at-the-Water-Police-Station.

Sayer, I believe, used to play cricket for the H.K.C.C. Sonny Wood (A.E.) used to play centre to me for a bit until he tore a muscle and gave up rugger. He was one of the Water Police Mess where Tommy King played for the Police C.C. and Robbie Hutchison (who died tragically in 1920) captained the Civil Service.

First Contacts

I CLEARLY recollect that the first game of cricket I saw in Hongkong was in about January 1912, when I was being taken along to the Bowling Alley in the Club to

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**Referees' Decisions**

Sir.—I do not agree entirely with the views expressed by "Scrambles" which appeared in your paper last Saturday.

I always believe that, unless the players and spectators are taught to accept the referee's decision as final, it is no use to have any competitive games. If we allow protests and re-plays there will be no end of trouble.

When a referee errs only on one side, it does not necessarily mean that he is biased—he may be perfectly honest. There may be "black sheep" among them, but we can get rid of these quite easily. The best way would be for the Referees' Association to give the name of the referee a week or a few days before a match, and this referee is to be approved by both teams. In other words, any side has the right to refuse him.

To protest against a referee's decision or to ask for a replay is, in my opinion, contrary to the idea of sport and the spirit of good sportsmanship.

I am afraid that the recent "football riot" in Shanghai was the result of the same misunderstanding.

A CHINESE SPORTSMAN.

Athletics**J. Macaulay Prominent At D.E.S. Sports**

RECORDING four 1st's, three 2nd's and two 3rd's in eleven events, J. Macaulay took individual honours at the Diocesan Boys' School annual athletic sports meeting held at the School ground yesterday. Middle championship went to Tan Kok-lung.

The pavilion, as I first knew it, was not a massive affair, and a bit primitive in its arrangements as judged by our present luxurious standards.

But it had one advantage, and that was that you could watch the cricket with the light behind you. I shall hope to complete these scattered reminiscences next week or the week after if there is any cricket to write about next week.

To-day's Tennis

The following are the matches in the Colony Tennis Championships to-day:

OPEN SINGLES

W. J. Howard v. H. D. Rumjahn (7).

OPEN DOUBLES

O. Umetani and T. Imura v. T. C. Monaghan and T. J. Gould (8).

T. A. Martin and E. G. Matthiav. v. G. W. Sewell and D. M. Mac-

Dougall (4).

C. H. R. Oxlaide and A. H. Barwel

v. Tsui Wan-pui and Tsui Yun-pui (5).

OPENS TO-DAY at the KING'S THEATRE**R.A. To Meet M'sex To-day**

The following will represent Royal Artillery against 1st Bn. The Middlesex Regt in an Army Rugby League match at Sookpung, to-day, kick-off at 4.30 p.m.:

Gnr. Fairclough (8th A.A.); Gnr. Easterbrook (8th A.A.); Gnr. Butcliffe (8th A.A.); Gnr. Keeble (12th Coast Regt); L/Bdr. Richards (18th Coast Regt); Capt. Simpson (18th A.A.); Gnr. Cooke (4th Coast Regt); 2/Ldr. Wedderburn (8th A.A.); L/Bdr. Clark (5th A.A.); Gnr. Turner (7th Coast Regt); L/Bdr. Pain (12th Regt); Capt. D. D. D. (12th Coast Regt); and Bdr. McDermott (8th Coast Regt).

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Badminton Championships**Junior and Mixed Doubles Matches at King's College**

THREE MATCHES in the Junior Doubles Badminton Championship and one in the Mixed Doubles were played at King's College last night. The results were:

JUNIOR DOUBLES

P. C. Leung and K. F. Chui beat E. A. R. Alves and P. P. Soeiro 17-15, 15-10.

C. C. Pereira and A. E. Xavier beat J. Hool and T. B. Teoh 15-6, 15-11.

A. L. Fisher and P. Wynter-Blyth beat P. M. A. Yvanovich and B. T. Gosano 15-2, 15-5.

MIXED DOUBLES

P. Wong and Miss O. Ribeiro beat E. and Mrs. Zimmerman 15-0, 15-4.

As indicated by the scores, the first game of the doubles was the most exciting. Raillies were on several occasions prolonged, but more often than not the decision fell to the first named who were quicker and more accurate.

Pereira and Xavier had the measure of Hool and Teoh from the start. They had an easy time in the first set, but in the second, when the losers had somewhat recovered, play was more even and the rallies more prolonged.

But in the third junior game, Fisher and Wynter-Blyth were far the superior in both combination and execution of shots. B. Gosano strove hard, if not to avoid defeat then to make a better match of it, but received weak support from Yvanovich.

Mixed Doubles

THERE was only one player in the Mixed Doubles, and that was P. H. Wong, last year's triple champion. He dominated in all the rallies. The Zimmerman were never given the opportunity of settling down, for right from the start Wong had the shuttle flying from one side of the court to the other.

Misunderstandings, however, played their part in the Zimmerman's defeat. Several shots dropping to the short fore-court were not attempted. Mrs. Zimmerman, who with Miss D. Eardley is tipped for the women's doubles, had little to do, but on the other side of the net, Miss Ribeiro gave Wong considerable support.

To-day's Programme**(AT RECREIO)****Junior Doubles**

7 p.m.—L. J. Anderson and W. Gillies v. W. T. Ho and A. C. Cheung.

Junior Singles

7.45 p.m.—R. M. Lavalle v. Peter Lo.

8.30 p.m.—T. S. Young v. J. Tsang.

Mixed Doubles

9.15 p.m.—E. Gillespie and Miss F. Wong v. H. E. Eardley and Miss D. Eardley.

Small Units Athletics

Two heats of the Small Units Sports were held on the Chatham Road ground, King's Park, yesterday. Mansfield of the R.A.F. and Martin of the R.A.S.C. came first in their respective heats in the 100 and 220 yards and close races are expected when they meet each other in the finals, scheduled for tomorrow.

The Duchess followed the game which the Duke refereed and presented the players with gold fountain pens. Over £1,000 was raised as a result of the game.

Further heats will be held on the Chatham Road ground to-day.

The following are those who qualified to participate in the finals yesterday:

100 Yards—Manfield, Martin, Brown, Senior and Boggs.

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NANCY



Bank Of Canton's Net Profit

The annual general meeting of the Bank of Canton, Limited, was held at the Company's registered offices, No. 6 Des Voeux Road, Central, on Saturday.

In the absence of Mr T. V. Soong, Chairman, Mr H. O. Tong presided and read the Directors' report which stated that the net profit for the year, including \$55,770 brought forward from last year, amounted to \$2,184,000.00. From this sum, the Directors had set aside \$1,300,000 and \$128,376.12 respectively to increase the General Reserve to \$2,800,000 and the Reserve for Depreciation of Bank Buildings to \$928,376.12. The Bank thus stood in the books at only \$1,500,000.

After making these reservations, there was a sum of \$755,684 available for appropriation which the Directors recommended be dealt with as follows:

CONCERT FOR SCHOOLS

The third concert of the Hongkong Schools' Musical Association will be held to-day at 5.30 p.m. at the Diocesan Boys' School, Kowloon. The concert is arranged by the Very Rev. Father Rigant with choral items by the Choir of St Joseph's Church, Garden Road. There will also be piano solos by Miss Caroline Braga and piano duets by Miss Braga and Mrs E. Drown.

Iowa: Dividends on First Preference Shares at 12 per cent, on Second Preference Shares at four per cent, and Ordinary Shares at four per cent, \$470,449; Bonus to members of the Subscription Committee, \$31,400.00; Directors' Fees, \$8,750; Bonus to Directors and Staff, \$105,783.61; leaving a balance of \$70,203.41 to be carried forward to the Profit and Loss Account for 1941.

The report and accounts were adopted and Messrs Lowe Bingham and Matthews were re-elected Auditors.

Bremen Reported In Flames

London, Mar. 17. The crack German liner Bremen has been blazing since yesterday and all efforts to extinguish the fire have failed states the German Official News Agency.

According to the Nord Deutscher Lloyd, the fire broke out on board. Its cause has not been ascertained.

It is believed that the liner was hit during the R.A.F. raid on the ship-yards of Hamburg and Bremen last Thursday night.

The Bremen is a liner of 50,000 tons and, it will be recalled, passed the British submarine Salmon in the North Sea on her return to Germany from America. The Salmon was not able to fire a torpedo owing to the international regulations which prevented her from attacking the ship in neutral waters. The ensemble was made by Eunice.

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Popular Civil Servant Married Yesterday

RAYS of sunshine were a happy omen for the picturesque wedding which took place at St John's Cathedral yesterday afternoon, when Miss Katherine Ellinor Collie became the bride of Mr John Barrow. The Rev. A. P. Rose officiated, and Mr J. R. M. Smith was at the organ.

The bride, who is a nursing sister at Queen Mary Hospital, is the elder daughter of Mr and Mrs James Anderson Collie, of Edinburgh, Scotland.

Her gown of heavy white satin was fashioned with a high waisted dropped bodice which buttoned down the back and sleeves that were long and fitted. The full skirt ended in a short train at the back. A long circular, embroidered tulle veil was held in position by a crown of orange blossoms. She carried a bouquet of tuber-roses. The ensemble was made by Eunice.

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STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary, issued yesterday says: The usual Monday lassitude pervaded the market, though towards the close a few stocks were enquired for.

Buyers
Bank of East Asia \$70
Union Ins. \$425
Wharves \$93
Providents X.D. \$5,05
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Lights "O" \$6,20
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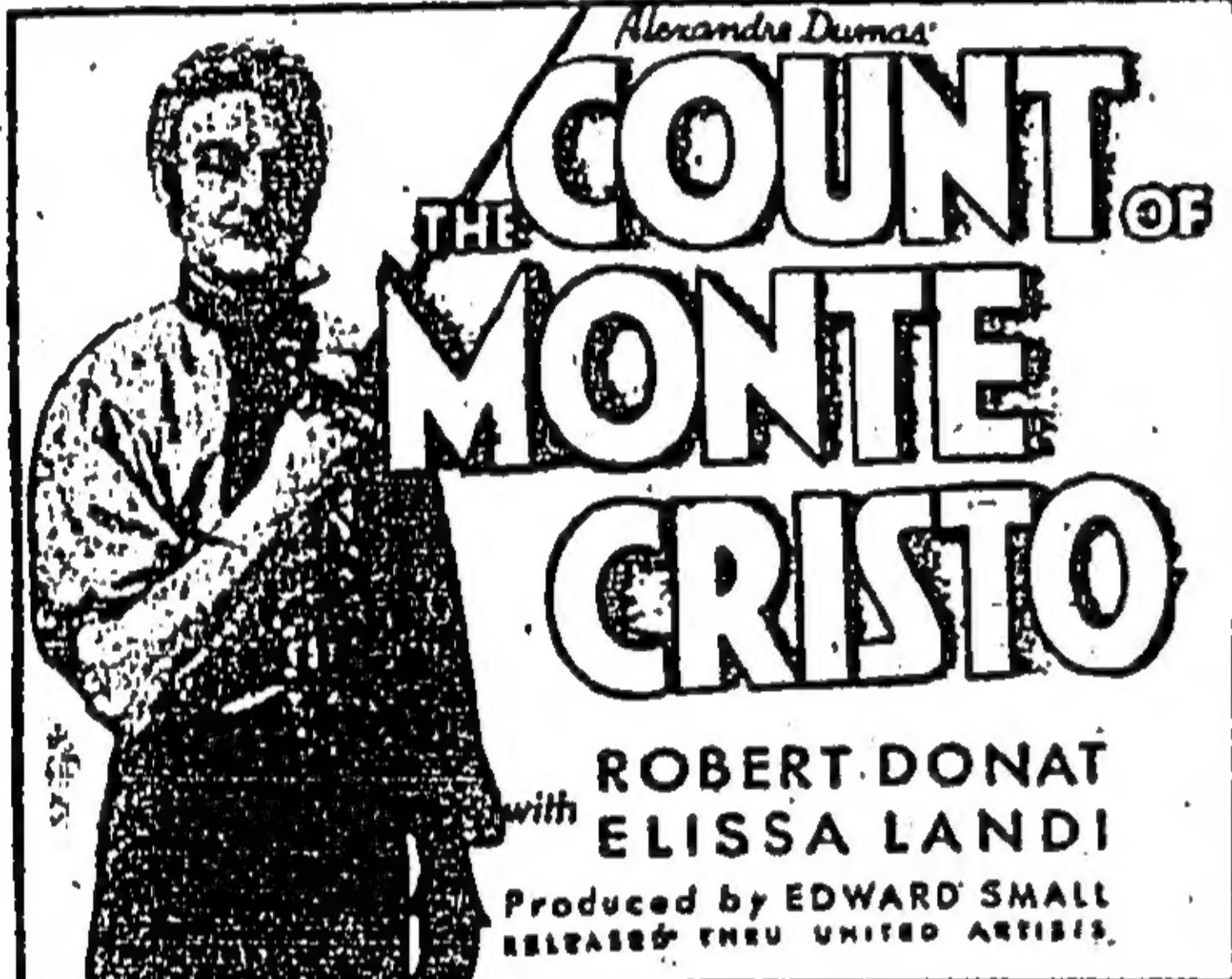
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RETAKE OF BERBERA

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Supply Route Open

CAIRO, Mar. 17 (Reuter)—With the recapture of Berbera, another threat to Adulis Atbara is developing, a British spokesman stated here this evening.

Empire troops are now steadily closing on the heart of the Italian Empire from 13 points.

The recapture of Berbera, the spokesman added, is also expected to ease the supply problem considerably.

It is recalled here that when the Italians entered Berbera in August 1940, Rome radio proclaimed that the collapse of the British Empire was inevitable, and that the Red Sea had been closed to the Royal Navy.

It is not yet possible to say whether the British successes on the Keren front are a prelude to an offensive or form part of the steady fighting which has been going on for six weeks, but "Reuter" is told: "Things are boiling up at Keren again."

ARMED U.S. AID FOR BRITAIN

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Mr Sidney Hillman, Miss Perkins, the Secretary of Labour, and other officials.

Strong Words

Opening the conference, Mr. Knudsen said: "We have got to go into production in America on a scale never approached before. Our need for ships and propulsion machinery for ships, tanks and planes is so great that upon you rests the responsibility of training more people in the shortest possible time in order to meet the deliveries sorely needed here and abroad."

Mr. Knudsen urged ship-builders specifically to "give every skilled man three helpers to learn his work."

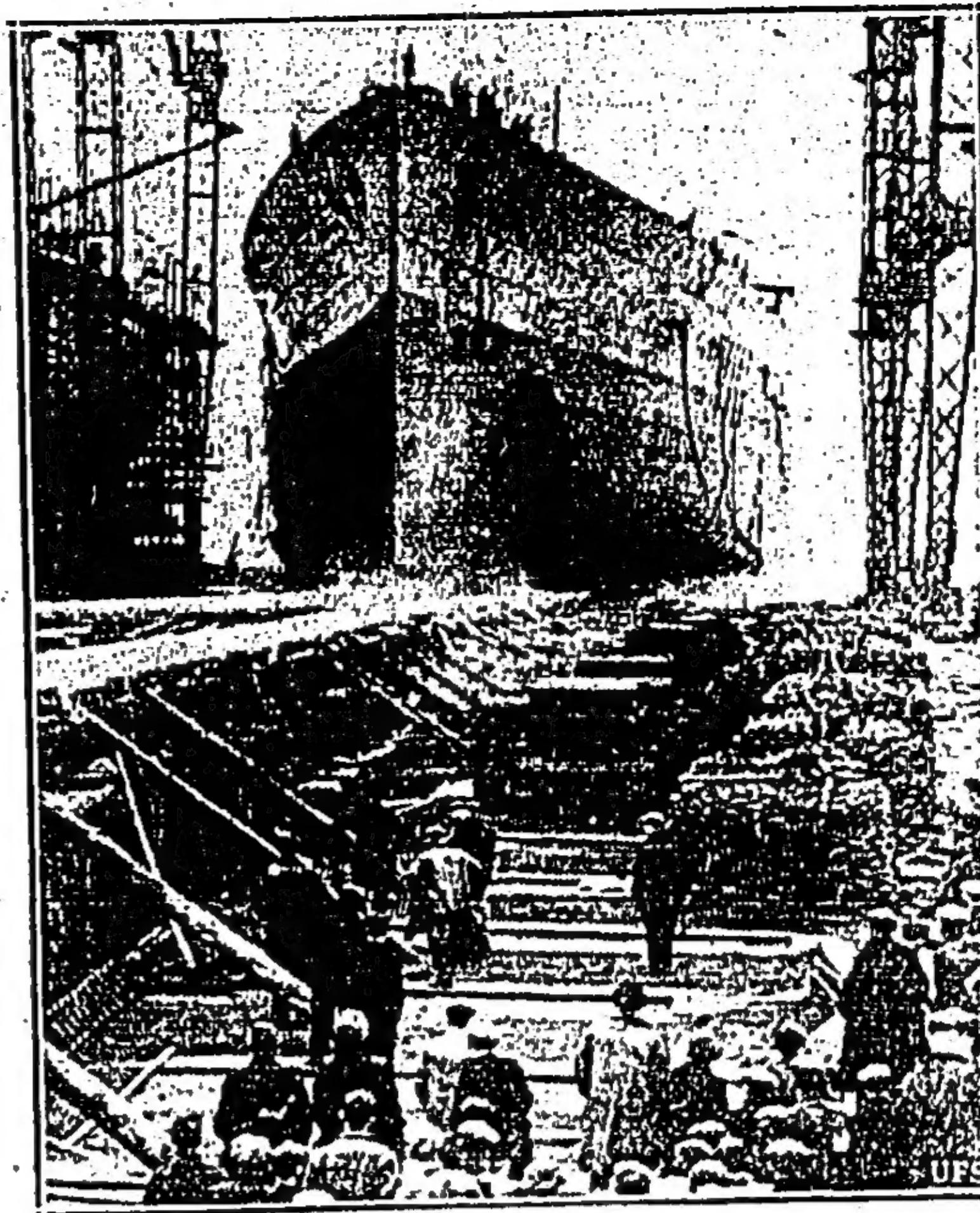
Y'S MEN'S MEETING

Mrs. P. S. Selwyn-Clarke will speak on "China's Present Needs" at the fifth meeting of the Hongkong Y's Men's Club at the St. Francis Hotel on Thursday.

HYDERABAD, Mar. 17 (Reuter)—The Nizam's Government has offered to raise a full R.I.A.S.C. company.

NEW DELHI, Mar. 17 (Reuter)—In response to the appeal issued by the Director General of Supply, 485 revolvers, 252 compasses and 470 binoculars were received.

LATE NEWS



BRITAIN'S NEW BATTLESHIP — Now British battleship, Duke of York, takes to water of Clydeside, Scotland. She's the 35,000-ton kind and was christened recently by Queen Elizabeth.

Training Dutch Army In Canada

The red, white and blue flag of the Netherlands is now flying with the British flag over the Princess Juliana Barracks at Stratford, now the headquarters of the Royal Netherlands Army in Canada, officially opened recently.

The work of training several hundreds of men who have been called up in Canada and the United States by Royal Netherlands decree to fight for freedom will be carried on there, at the rate of about 300 each six weeks' period of training.

The barracks has been leased by the Netherlands from the Canadian Government, and a group of non-commissioned and commissioned officers are in residence there.

Officer commanding the centre is Lieut. Col. G. J. Sas, who until the Netherlands invasion was military attaché in Berlin, and is now head of the Netherlands Military Mission in Canada. Training of the groups will be completed with the Royal Netherlands Army in England. The latter retains its separate identity apart from the British Army, but actively co-operates, he explained.

GERMAN CLAIM

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Mar. 17 (UP)—The official news agency reports that German torpedo planes last Sunday attacked strong British naval force 40 kilometres west of Grete, making direct torpedo hits on two battleships which were, for a long time, enveloped in black smoke clouds. The British squadron consisted of two battleships, six cruisers and several destroyers.

Eminent Indian Passes

LAHORE, Mar. 17 (Reuter)—The death is announced of Sir Mohamed Hyd Khan Noon, father of the Indian High Commissioner in London.

Sir Mohamed was knighted in 1935. He was a member of the Council of State and formerly Commissioner at Lahore. He was presented with a sword of honour at the Provincial Durbar for his recruiting services during the war.

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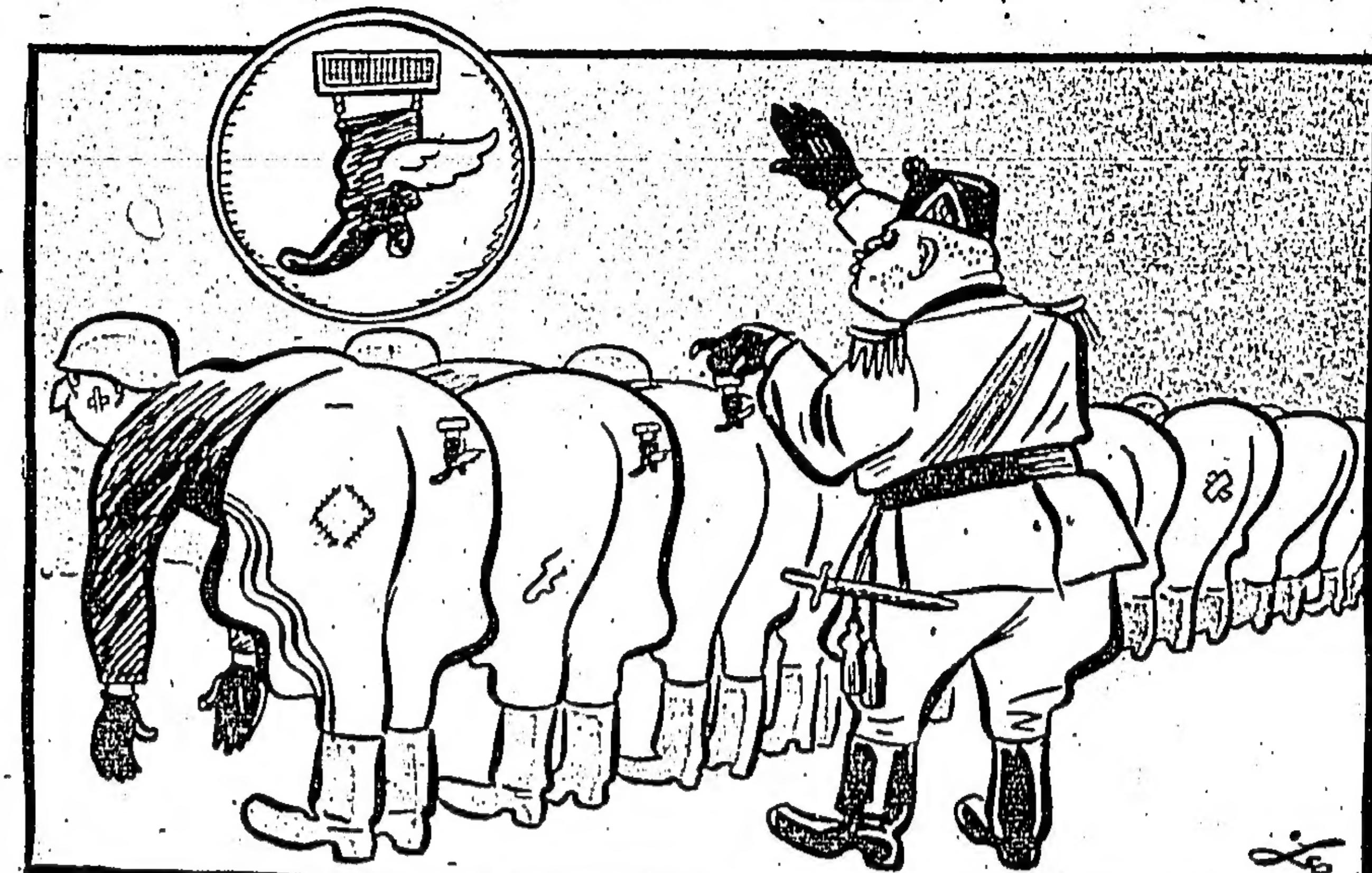
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RETAKING OF BERBERA TRAPS ITALIANS IN WHOLE OF E. AFRICA

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, MAR. 17 (UP).—THE RECAPTURE OF BERBERA, CAPITAL OF BRITISH SOMALILAND, MEANS THAT THE BRITISH HAVE TRAPPED THE ITALIANS IN ERITREA, ITALIAN SOMALILAND AND ABYSSINIA.

The Admiralty announced last week that the small strait of Bab-el-Mandeb had been mined, closing the outlet to the Italians in Eritrea.

With the British holding the key ports in Italian and British Somalilands, the Italians there and also those in Abyssinia are isolated.

The recapture of Berbera also means it will be easier for the British to supply their forces harassing Diredawa, Jijiga and Harrar.

BOMBS ON BENITO

Successful Raids In Middle East

CAIRO, Mar. 17 (Reuter).—Further successful R.A.F. raids were announced in the Middle East R.A.F. communiqué issued in Cairo.

Heavy attacks were made on aerodromes at Castel Benito and Makina in Tripolitania. A direct hit was registered on an ammunition dump at the Benito aerodrome and fires were started on the other side.

Bombs dropped among the dispersed aircraft at Makina caused a number of fires which destroyed at least four aircraft, while others were severely damaged by bombs, and as the last bomber left, a violent explosion occurred among the dispersed aircraft.

In Eritrea very heavy attacks were made on enemy positions in and around Keren on Saturday and Sunday.

The R.A.F. also bombed and machine-gunned motor transport and troop concentrations, and also the railway and road.

It is understood that the British encountered only slight opposition at Berbera, where they took a number of prisoners. It is recalled that British troops evacuated the capital last August after fighting a delaying action in face of overwhelmingly superior Italian forces.

Armoured Cars of R.A.F.

CAIRO, Mar. 17 (Reuter).—Not only R.A.F. bombers and fighters but R.A.F. armoured cars went into action with the military and navy in the successful assault on Berbera.

The part played by the R.A.F. is described in an additional communiqué issued from the Middle East Headquarters. The communiqué says: "Enemy aerodromes were heavily raided throughout the previous night and during the day, a particularly heavy attack being made on Diredawa aerodrome, and R.A.F. armoured cars took part in the capture of the town."

The communiqué adds that there were no R.A.F. casualties.

Convoys By Warships

CAIRO, Mar. 17 (UP).—It is authoritatively stated that the landing force at Berbera was convoyed by warships. Machine-guns and anti-aircraft fire was encountered from the warships' guns. About 100 prisoners have been counted so far and others are coming in. It is understood that the British casualties were negligible.

The Army Air Corps is expected to be increased in strength from 3,322 flying officers to 6,180 within the next few months, while the Navy's latest information on pilot training reveals that it has about 3,000 cadets now in training.

Well-informed sources believe that the combined pilot strength of the Army and the Navy will aggregate about 20,000 men by late summer with the Army having at least 83,000 trained ground crews, says the "New York Times".

Meanwhile, it is understood that a civilian pilot training programme is building up a reserve of partly trained pilots including 19,000 college students who will soon be pursuing advanced courses for the purpose of joining the Army and Navy air forces.

Workers Needed

WASHINGTON, Mar. 17 (Reuter).—Vital defence industries were reported officially to-day to be facing a rapidly dwindling supply of skilled labour just when the Government is preparing to give effect to the British Air programme by increasing armament orders by over 60 per cent.

This was made clear at a conference of the Metal Trades Management and Labour representatives with the United States Production Chiefs, Mr. William Knudsen and

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ARMED U.S. AIR FORCE FOR BRITAIN

WASHINGTON, Mar. 17 (Reuter).—Steps to implement America's pledge to Britain mentioned to-day are firstly, the early release to Britain of a further considerable number of over-age destroyers; and secondly, the giving, shortly, of armed naval aid.

Legislative circles spoke privately but very definitely regarding destroyers while the naval aid report was given by Mr. William Simms, chief writer on foreign affairs in the Scripps-Howard newspapers.

Hands Are Full

Mr. Simms asserts that armed aid, particularly naval aid, is foreseen as a virtual certainty following the President's speech on Saturday. He adds that it is believed in Washington that Britain's hands are too full effectively to fight off the new submarine menace and a new kind of help from America may become vital in view of President Roosevelt's statement that America would not cease aid until the "tyrants are totally defeated."

Fully qualified observers, Mr. Simms adds, feel that giving over-age destroyers and mosquito boats is only a temporary measure to be followed by intervention by the United States Navy and the transfer of merchant shipping.

Workers Needed

WASHINGTON, Mar. 17 (Reuter).—The steamer Mahukona sent out a distress call at 9 a.m. on Saturday and announced five minutes later that the crew was abandoning ship.

A New York report said the Porto Rican liner Berington proceeded to the Mahukona's assistance, but MacKay Radio was unable to say whether or not she picked up any survivors.

TURKEY'S REPLY TO HITLER

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ISTANBUL, Mar. 17 (UP).—It is reliably reported that the Turkish court has already arrived in Berlin with Turkey's reply to Hitler.

Authoritative sources in Turkey stated that President Inceu's reply does not contain any "proposition," hence it does not require any specific answer; they emphasized that it was merely a courteous approval and thanks for Hitler's assurances.

LATEST

Food For France. Exmouth Leaves U.S.

JERSEY CITY, Mar. 17 (Reuter).—The steamship Exmouth sailed to-day for Marseilles loaded to its top-decks with an American Red Cross cargo of food, clothing, medicines and surgical supplies to the value of \$1,250,000.

Three hundred tons of oatmeal and farina remained on the quayside as the British refused to allow it through the blockade.

There were no passengers.

The clearance granted by Britain and Germany for March 7 was delayed because Italy needed more time to notify her naval units.

BRITISH TROOPS IN GREECE

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ISTANBUL, Mar. 17 (UP).—It is reliably reported that almost all of the British troops sent to Greece were landed at Piraeus and have been transported to Salonika and elsewhere by railway.

Bristol People Trapped By Lull in Air "Blitz"

Special to the "Telegraph"

BRISTOL, Mar. 17 (UP).—A lull between two air raids here who left the air raid shelters and went to bed. They were caught in an intense "blitz" in which there were many casualties, including some killed.

High explosive bombs crashed into a church crypt where a large number of people were taking shelter and many were killed. Another public shelter was hit causing many deaths.

Official Communique

London, Mar. 17 (UP).—An Air Ministry communiqué states that high explosive bombs caused a fire which did "considerable damage" in a west England town during air raid last night, lasting some hours.

An Australian Finds Words

Tribute To Churchill

LONDON, Mar. 17 (Reuter).—Mr. Churchill is to use an Australian phrase, "a bobby dazzer," and a real "crackerjack" who thrives on combat."

This tribute to the British Prime Minister was paid by the Australian Prime Minister, Mr. R. G. Menzies, in Manchester to-night.

"He is one of the greatest leaders in all history, one of that rare type of men who do their best under strain."

Turning President Roosevelt's all-out appeal for help to the democracies "magnificent," Mr. Menzies said: "This American attitude proves that to be neutral you need not be entirely unintelligent, holding no opinions on the war as some neutrals have thought."

It also shows that you can still give tremendous assistance to a combatant country."

Mr. Menzies described Hitler as holding the views of Alice in Wonderland that "What I say three times is true"—except that "Hitler says it thirty times and it is still untrue!"

Society Beauties & Factory Girls to Work Together

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, Mar. 17 (UP).—Daughters of the English peerage as well as Bertha the Beautiful Clothes Model, and Tillie the Toller, were warned to-day by the Minister of Labour and National Service, Mr. Ernest Bevin, to be ready to line up April 19 when every girl in Britain who is 20 years of age, will register for war work. Their 21 year old sisters will register a few days later.

Following the registration, National Service officials in their respective districts will interview each girl and give her a choice of jobs, after determining her fitness. Service officials have the power to compel a girl to take the job they deem best, although Mr. Bevin said they would try, as far as possible, to permit their choices and enable them to work near their homes.

He asserted: "We are going to use common sense in this registration—for example, we will not call up expectant mothers." Asked if brides would be given three months exemption, Mr. Bevin said it would not be possible.

He emphasized that the women's auxiliary services still needed volunteers and it was still possible to volunteer for war work, adding, "It is the supreme test of citizenship to offer one's hands and body for essential jobs."

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SARAH SIMPLE' PREMIERE For Services

A special performance of "Sarah Simple" by the Hongkong Amateur Dramatic Society has been arranged for men of the Services to-night, at the China Fleet Club Theatre.

A. C. A. Milne's play is very light fare, full of amusing and swift dialogue and scenes and it provides admirable distraction from the cares of war, income tax and evanescence.

The opening night is to-morrow and the play will run until Saturday. Booking for seats, at \$3.30, \$2.20 and \$1.10, is being handled by the Anderson Music Co., and it would be as well to book as soon as possible as the last nights are already heavily booked.

The number of invitations accepted by the Services for to-night promises a full house for this comedy of the vague inventor who named the wrong man as co-respondent when his wife left him. This slip leads to complications and trying situations in his returning wife's sudden return just as he is attempting to establish a liaison with the attractive but conventionally minded widow of a Canon.

The cast is headed by Shellah Mackinlay as the lovely Sarah Simple, Claude Burgess as her cork-screw inventing husband, and Day Sage as the attractive widow, part which curries some of the most shattering lines in the play.

John Culver and Tim Fortescue are the soulful, adolescent twins, and W. E. Kirby gives a cameo of a depressed detective-minded pub walter. Contributed.

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NOTICE TO CONSUMERS

Notice is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Office of the Company, No. 2 Queen's Building, Hong Kong, on Monday, 31st March, 1941, at noon for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1940.

The existing scale of discounts will remain in force.

By order of the Board of Directors,

D. W. MUNTON,
Manager.

Hongkong, 8th March, 1941.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
E. COCK,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 10th March, 1941.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Fifty-second Ordinary Yearly Meeting will be held at the Company's Registered Office, 4th Floor, P. & O. Building, on Thursday, 20th March, 1941, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1940 and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 8th March to 20th March, 1941, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By order of the Board of Directors

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Hong Kong, 21st February, 1941.

NOTICE

DEFENCE REGULATIONS 1940

The following rates will be charged for mailing single copies of the following newspapers abroad:

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16 cents per copyBritish Empire and Foreign
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Police Reserve Orders Issued

Orders by the Hon. Mr. C. G. Perdue, Acting Commissioner of Police.

Chinese Company Training Course—Part II, Constable (H. 30) Class, China, will be conducted in Part II of Training Course on March 7.

Training Course—Part IV. Those entitled to attend Prince's Building, 1st, 2nd and 3rd Classes of Training Course under Inspector (H. 1) Lau Shiu-chuen, Wednesday, March 19, at 5.15 p.m. sharp.

Patrol Duty. Patrol duties will be carried out as ordered.

Indian Company.

The following have been taken on the strength of the Indian Company, as from March 15—Constables (2) Khakhan Khan, (H. 21) Yusuf Sharad, (H. 22) Brijendra Singh, (H. 23) C. O's Meeting, All N. C. O's will attend a meeting at Company Headquarters on Tuesday, March 18, at 5.30 p.m. sharp.

Those entitled to attend Prince's Building, 1st, 2nd and 3rd Classes of Training Course on Wednesday, March 19, at 5.15 p.m. sharp.

Patrol Duty. Patrol duties will be carried out as ordered.

Flying Squad.

Training Course—Part II. Members of the Hongkong Section will attend Central Police Station on Friday, March 21 at 8.30 p.m. sharp for a general inspection of all members of the Central Police Command.

Dress—blue uniform, cap and white cover, belt with brace, whistle and chain, and truncheon to be carried. The Inspector will make it a point of being present.

Patrol Duty. Patrol duties will be carried out as ordered.

Emergency Unit Reserve.

Strength. Owing to other requirements of the Essential Services the following "non-active" members have been released:

(I) Police Sergeant (H. 42) G. Frost

referred to the rank of Constable, as from date of release.

Training Course—Part II. All members of "B" Company will attend No. 2 Police Station on Friday, March 21 at 8.30 p.m. for Part I of Training Course.

Patrol Duty. Patrol duties will be carried out as ordered.

O. Eager, D. C. P. (H. 1).

MR. R. A. D. FORREST

The friends of Mr. R. A. D. Forrest, Immigration Officer, will be pleased to learn that he has left Queen Mary Hospital.

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12.30 Compositions of Gershwin.—

1.00 Variety with The Hillbillies and Len Fills.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 Schumann—Concerto in A Minor, Op. 125.—Gregor Piatigorsky (Cello) and The London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by John Barbirolli.

2.15 Close Down.

5.45 Indian Programme.

6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 Dance Music.

7.00 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—"British Speaks"—Talk by J. E. Priscott.

7.30 Portuguese Programme.

8.00 Local Time Signal and Announcements.

8.02 Piano Duets by Ivor Merton and Dave Kaye.—Tin Pan Alley Medley No. 2 and Tin Pan Melt No. 24.

8.15 Studio—Talk by Brigadier-General French, C.M.G., C.B.E., on "Censorship."

8.30 Variety by Judy Garland with Orchestra; Hungarian Gypsy Band, Oliver Wakefield ("The Voice of Experience"), Larry Adler with Orchestra, and The Radio Three with Their Rhythmic Escorts.

9.00 London Relay—The News.

9.15 London Relay—"Questions of the Hour".

9.30 A Recital by Frederick Thurston, Wanda Landowska and Lily Pons.—Preludes Nos. 1 and 2 in C Major; Prelude No. 3 in C Minor; Fugue in C Minor; for Two Voices (Bach); Wanda Landowska (Harpischord); Suite for Two Clarinets (Alan Frank); Prelude—March—Rondo—Dirge—Flamme... Frederick Thurston and Ralph Clarke (Two Clarinets); Lily Pons (Soprano) with Orchestra and Flute Obligato; Fantasia in D Minor (Mozart);... Wanda Landowska (Piano); Ah! I Knew It (from "The Magic Flute"—Mozart); Lily Pons (Soprano) with Orchestra; A Truro Maggot (Philip Browne—In 17th Century Manner), Gigue (C. H. Lloyd), Largo and Allegro Glorioso (Galuppi-Crankton).... Frederick Thurston (Clarinet) and Myers Foggin (Piano).

9.45 News in French (on Short Wave only).

10.00 London Relay—"Scots Abroad."

10.15 Songs by Theodore Chalaine (Bass).

10.27 Compositions of Prokofieff—Love of the Three Oranges; March and Scherzo—Waltz Scherzo... London Symphony Orch. cond. by Albert Coates; Gavotte (from "Classical Symphony," Op. 25); Joseph Szigeti (Violin) with Piano; Concerto No. 3 in C Major, Op. 26—1st Mov: Andante-Allegro; 2nd Mov: Andantino-Tema con variazioni 1-5; 3rd Mov: Allegro non troppo l'istesso tempo... Serge Prokofieff (Piano) and the London Symphony Orchestra cond. by Piero Coppola.

11.00 Close Down.

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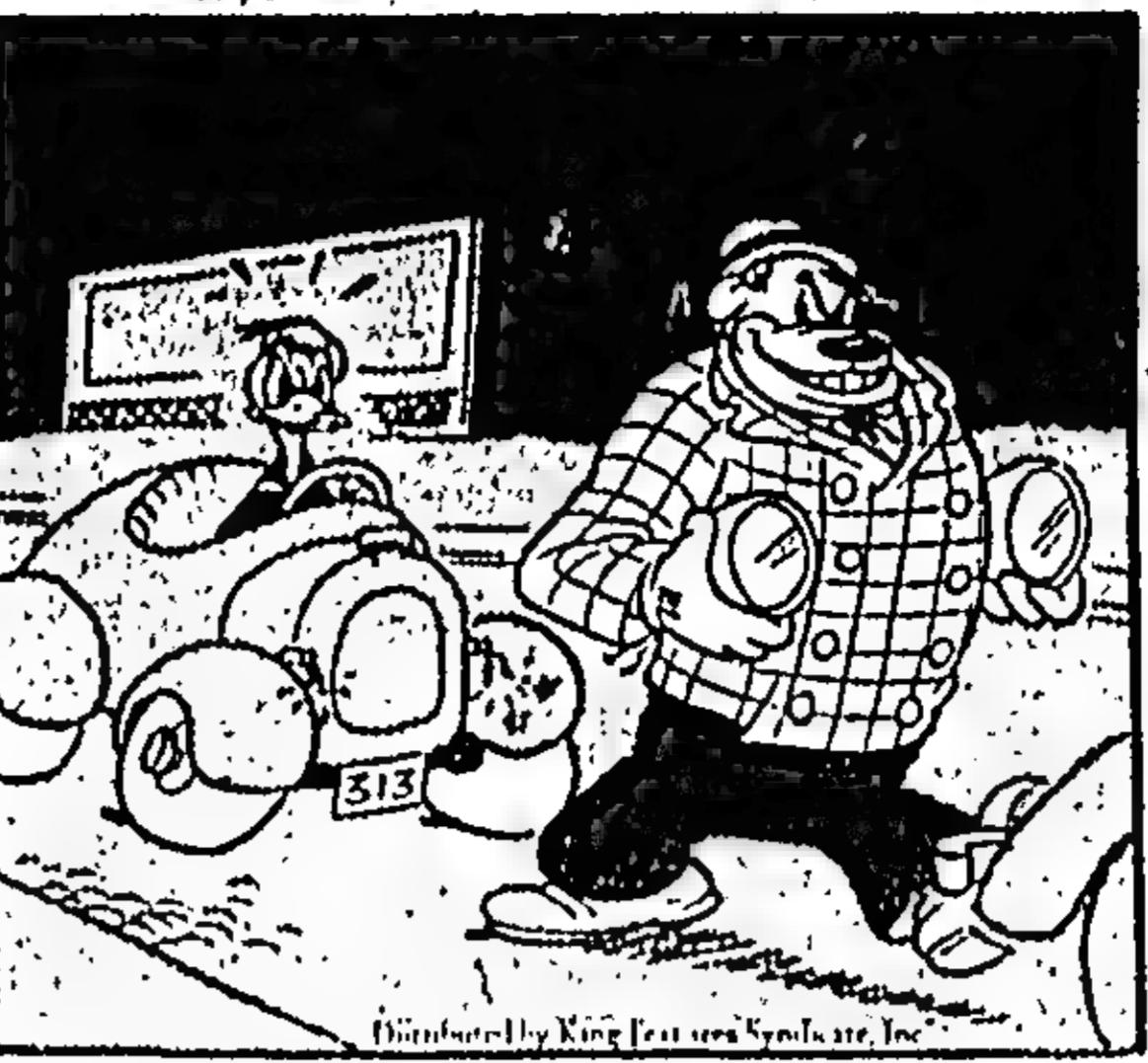
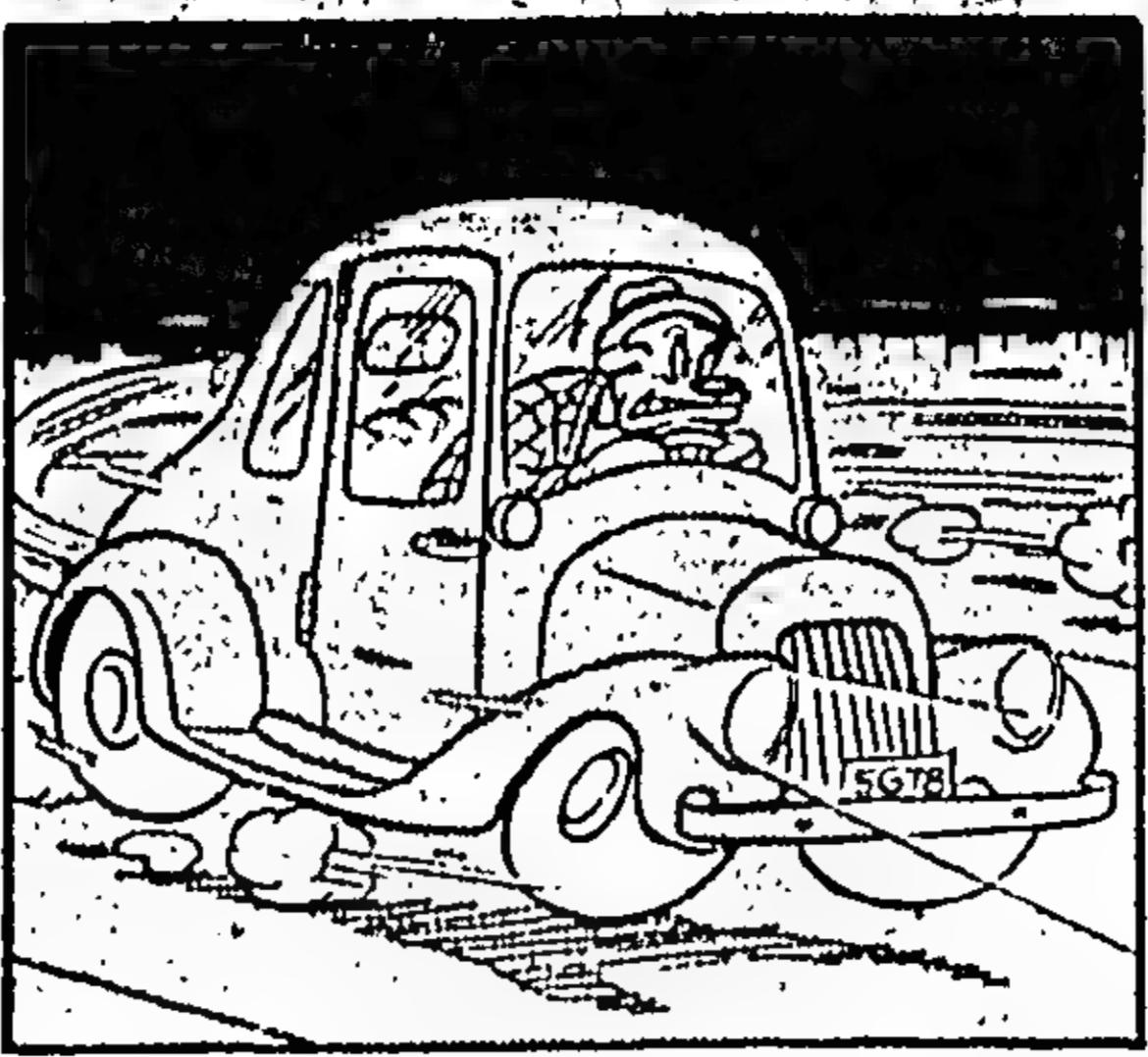
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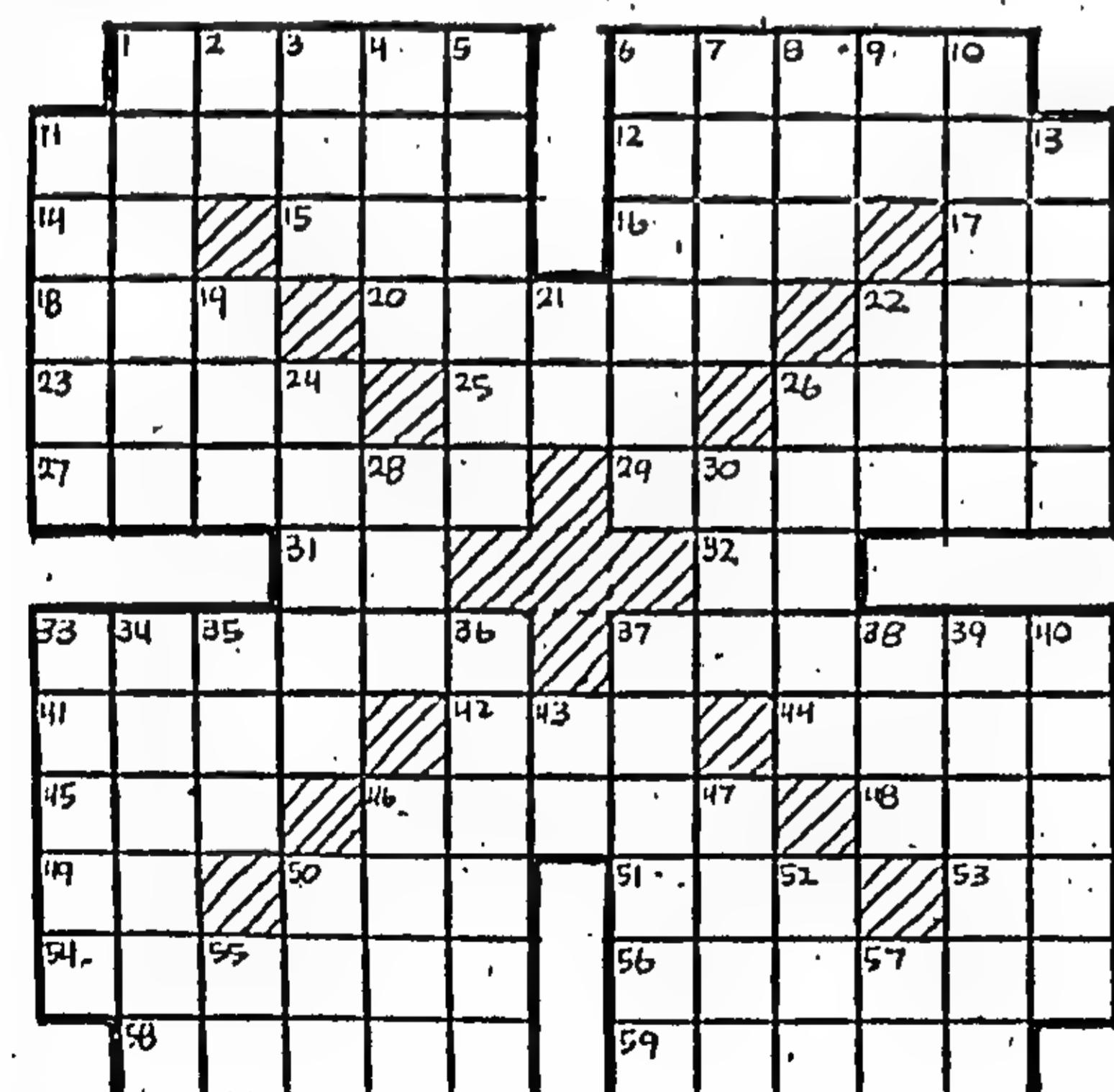
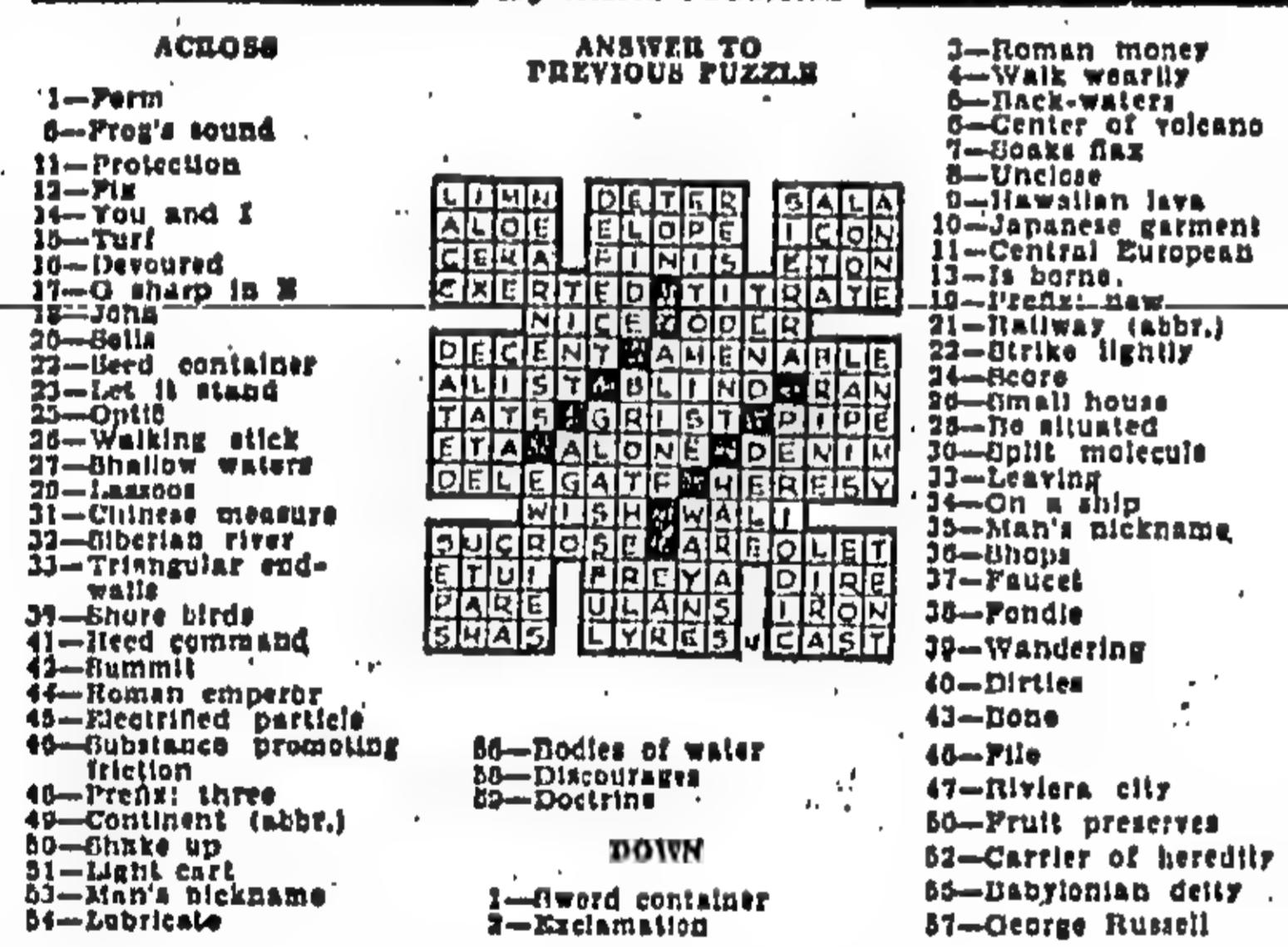
GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"Every year I gotta stay behind a week or so after the missus goes south—saves her worrying about whether she left the bath water running or the gas on!"

Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS



Count the
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HITLER likes this JEW

LISBON.
I FOUND Dr Bloch, the seventy-one-year-old Jewish physician whom six-year-old Adolf Hitler used to call "Uncle Doctor," in a modest third floor back room of a Lisbon boarding house, where he and his wife were waiting for a boat to take them to their daughter in New York.

Ten days previously the old couple left the little Austrian town of Linz, where for the last forty-five years Dr Bloch, as the kindly country doctor, had ministered day and night to rich and poor.

Among his patients had been the family of a humble Customs officer named Alois Hitler.

WHAT THEY SAY ABOUT THE WAR

"WOE, WOE!"

MANY people are wondering how we can "take Italy out of the war" by another sort of offensive—the propagandist sort, already exemplified in the Prime Minister's broadcast to the Italian people.

We desire again to be friends with the Italians; again to feel towards them as our great writers felt in the last century: Browning, Swinburne, Meredith. We may assure them of this desire. But is there much that the friends of Italy could do in this country that could be more effective than the imbecile mauldernings of their own tyrants-at-home?

After the Greek victories, the North African campaign, Bardia and the rest, can it be pleasant for anxious Italians in half-starved cafés to listen to Jeremiads of "woe, woe!" from Ansaldi?

Can it convince them that they are winning to be told that every defeat is an "incident?"

Above all, can it relieve their wounded feelings to hear (as they have this week) that whatever may happen Italy never, never will desert Germany?

Part of the final blow of propaganda against Italy may be left to Mussolini (Daily Mirror).

Setting The French To Work

The German locusts have been feeding on France for the last five months, and now there is little left for them to eat. Now the Germans are determined to make the French work for them. The two million war prisoners are going to work in Germany, and their upkeep will, under the terms of the armistice agreement, be paid by the French Government. The French unemployed are being tempted to sign contracts for work in Germany. It is announced that in Paris alone 13,000 have already signed on. The Germans are keen to get under-contract men from the engineering and building trades. The contracts bind the men to stay in Germany for as long as they are needed. Lastly, those industrial workers who are left in France will work chiefly for Germany's war needs.

The whole scheme is finely camouflaged as a "clearing arrangement" between Vichy and Berlin, an arrangement too complicated for a starving unemployed man to understand. The agreement concluded between Vichy and Berlin provides that all payments due by Germany to France shall be paid by the French Government. The scheme is, in effect, financed out of French inflation. The Germans, in addition to creating for themselves an artificially favourable franc-mark ratio, are filling up the French Treasury with paper marks—which the French cannot use. (Manchester Guardian Weekly).

"I had wanted to take an airplane direct here from Vienna," said Dr Bloch in a quavering voice as he sat on the bed talking to me. "But the Luftwaffe men warned me that while they were prepared to give me a seat as a great favour, on the plane, if an Aryan German came along and asked for it, I would have to give it up to him. So I preferred to go by train with the rest of the party."

He seemed to think that this was quite normal, not a matter for complaint, this wizened little Jewish doctor with the long, old-fashioned moustaches, which he is proud to tell you little Adolf used to tug.

THAT is the extraordinary thing about this Dr Bloch. Despite everything, he is proud of having been family doctor to the Hitlers.

But he won't speak of Hitler's illness. "Why back before the Anschluss, a writer came and asked about Hitler's illness. What a good thing I preserved my medical secrecy and refused to say anything. Just think what would have happened otherwise when the Nazis came in. To this day I have never disclosed anything concerning the illness of the family Hitler."

"Do you know," said Frau Bloch, "Hitler hadn't forgotten my husband? When he drove through Linz after his entry into Austria in 1938 he passed our house and waved up to our window with a special smile."

The old doctor nodded confirmation. "That is to say, my dear," he said, "that is what they told us. You see," he turned to me, "as Jews we were not permitted to be at the window when our Führer passed.

"I HAD thought," he said wistfully, "that perhaps I would be allowed to continue to practise in Linz. I thought perhaps our Führer would recall how I had attended his mother in her last illness. But it was no good. All they would concede was that I

should be allowed to begin a new practice in Vienna. I was too well known in Linz as a Jew, they said. It would compromise the Führer if I were allowed to continue to practise there. He could make no exception."

Nevertheless, Dr Bloch, who remained in Linz and did not try to start a new practice at the age of sixty-nine in Vienna, was allowed certain privileges which were denied the generality of Jews.

For instance, he was permitted to use the telephone. Yes, sir, he was. "Before we left many of them came to see us to dissuade us from going," said the little Jewish doctor. "Uncle Doctor," they said to me, "how can you think of emigrating at your age? And auntie, too. Stay with us. It will soon all be different. I think in Linz they really loved us. Don't you think so, my dear?" he asked his wife.

She did not answer. There were tears in her dim old eyes.

SEFTON DELMER

Our Secret Weapon: Humour
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The following are extracts taken from a letter just received by a well-known British firm in Hongkong from an officer of its parent organisation in England. Each month, the writer circulates such a letter to all the oversea branches of the organisation in order, as he says, to give an idea of conditions at Home and particularly of the spirit of the English people.

Hun still says he is bombing military objectives—that's what we golfers would call a "hanging lie."

"In London the nightly blitz continues, culminating in the great incendiary raid on the City three nights ago. The particulars have been published in the Press, and you've heard of the destruction of buildings which are dear to the hearts of all of us. In this stricken area lay the Headquarters of the Chartered Institute of Secretaries. Today, I visited these Headquarters. A taxi took me within a mile of it, and thereafter I walked over piles of rubble which had once been streets, amid the skeletons of buildings still smouldering."

Carrying On

"Of our Headquarters, one wall remains, identifiable only by the brass plate that was on it and by a notice saying that new offices had already been opened at another address.

"That's the spirit of England to-day—we carry on, and wait for the day of revenge. The other day I passed a little "pub," all its windows broken and somewhat battered besides, and this was the message it displayed:

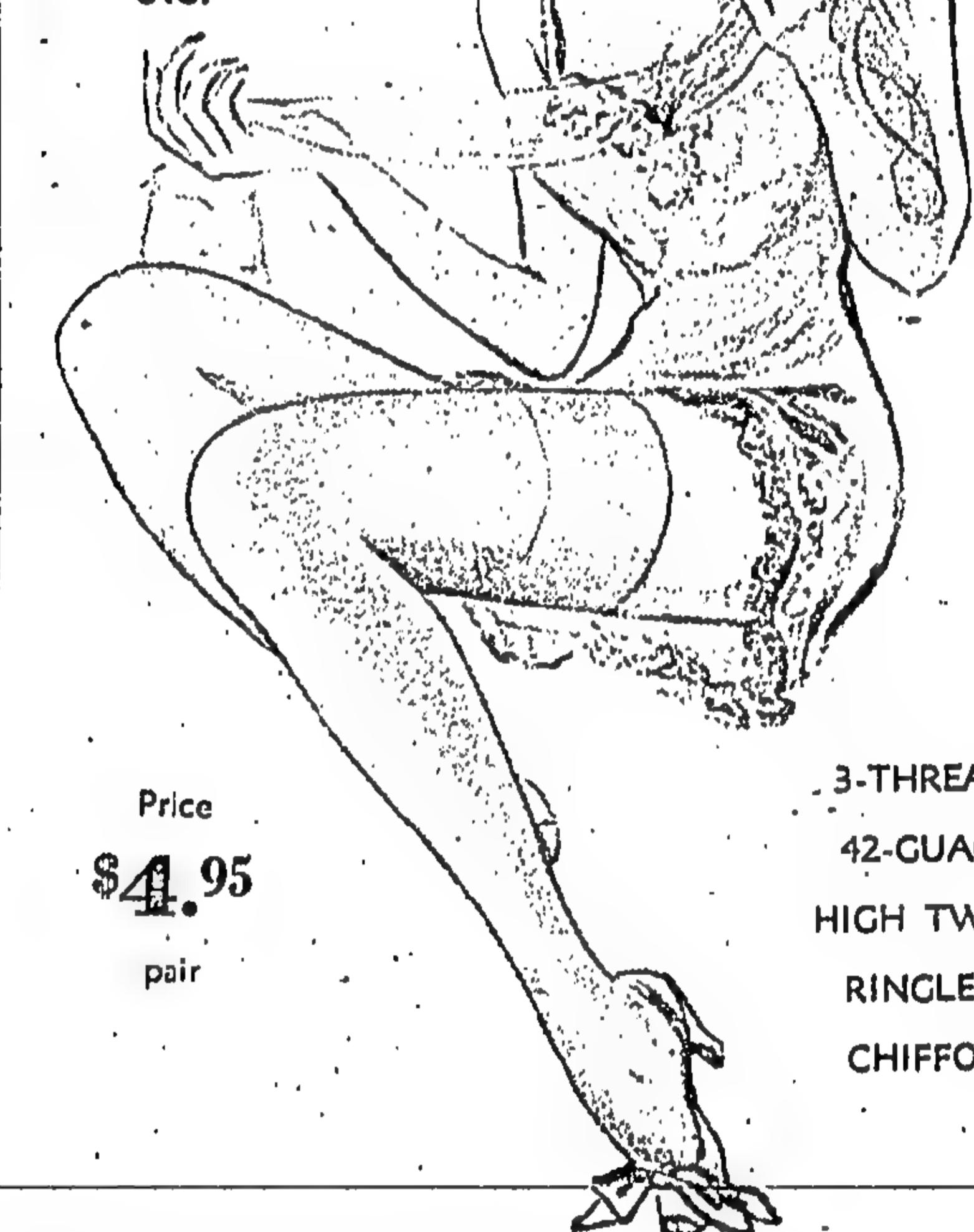
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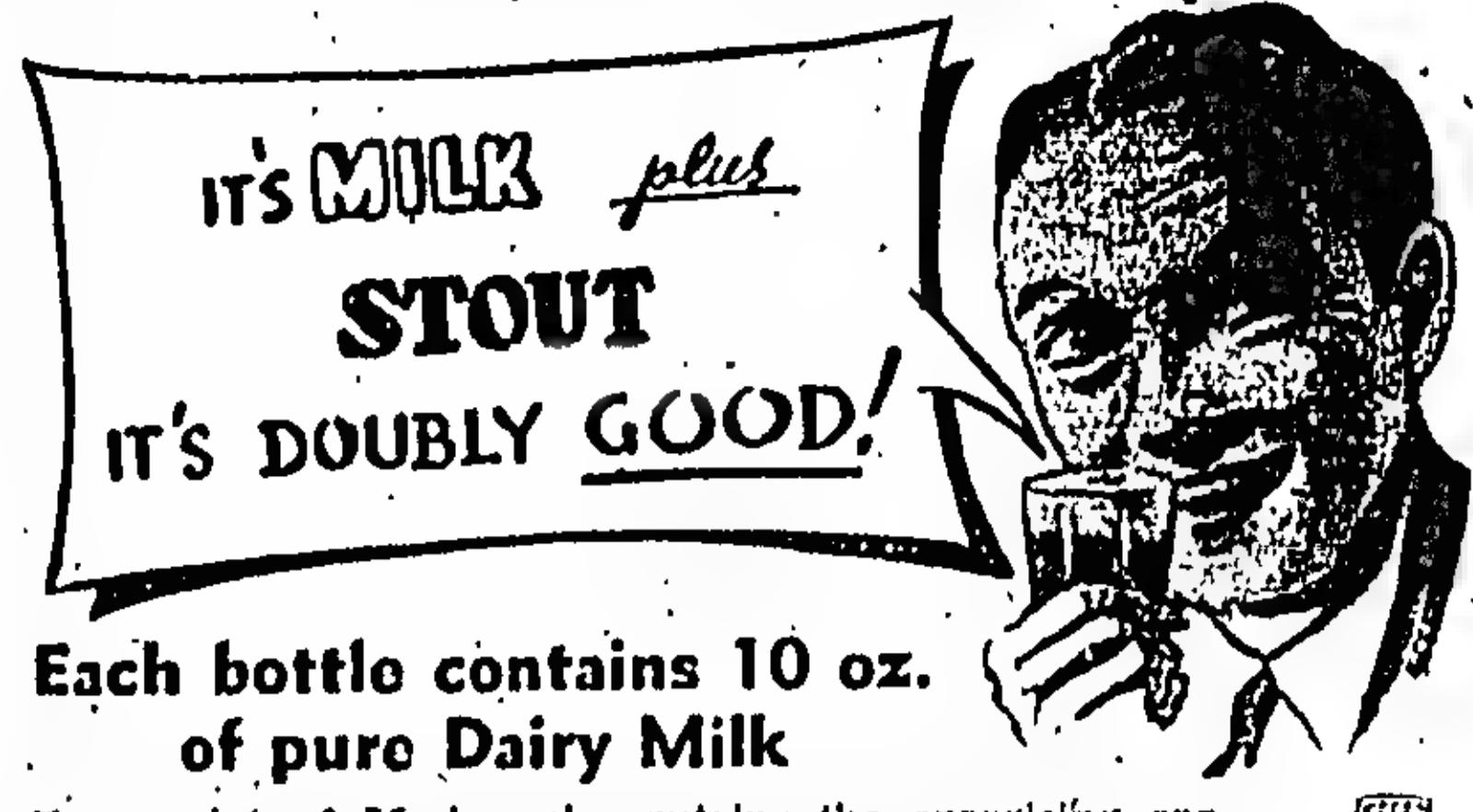
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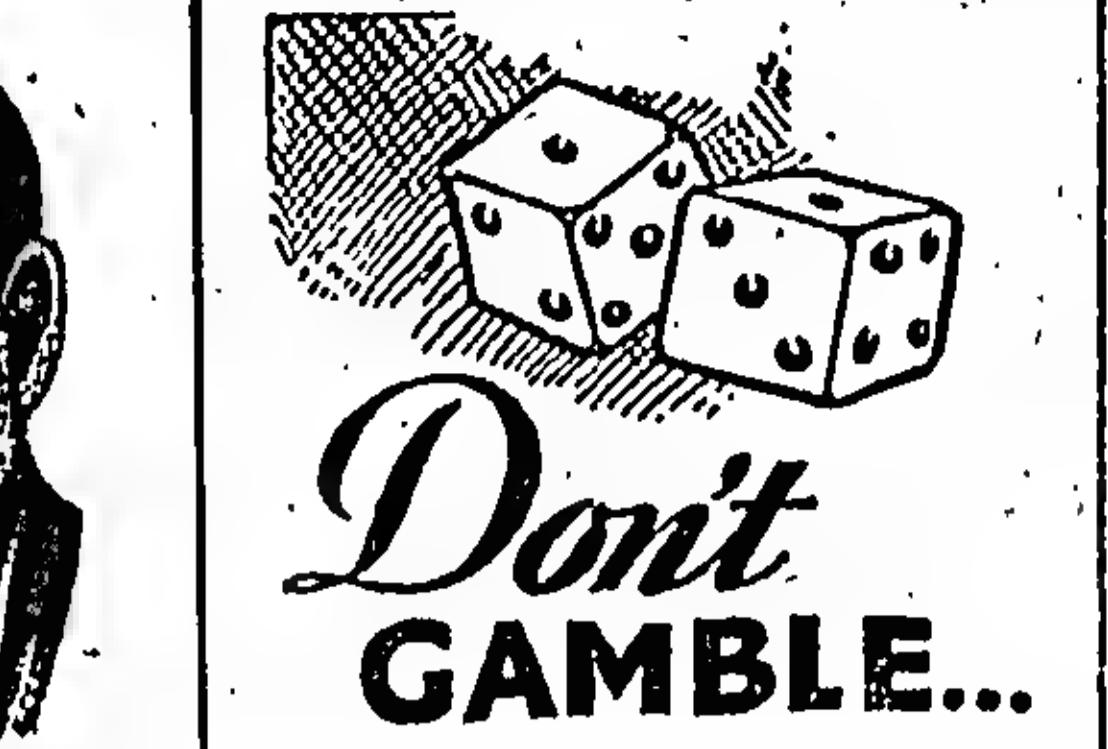


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DEATH

SADICK.—Christine, aged 27 years, beloved wife of O. Sadick, this morning at her residence at No. 52, Victoria Road. Funeral will take place this afternoon passing the Monument at 5 p.m.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The family and relatives of the late Bertha Maria Noronha d'Azevedo wish to express their thanks for kind sympathy in their recent bereavement, for attendance at the funeral, letters of condolence, floral tributes and Holy Mass Offering.

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HITLER'S HEADACHE

CHAPLIN may have intended solely to satirise Hitler in "The Great Dictator", yet Charlie's imaginative study of the Fuehrer as a spoilt, bad-tempered little boy who screams and raves when things don't go as he wants them to, comes very near the truth judged in the light of Hitler's latest speech to his people. It consisted of nothing but vague, generalised boastings and threats of what he and his military forces were going to do to Britain and her Allies. And these boastings were the product not of confidence, but of irritation and desperation caused by frustration of his magical schemes to eliminate Britain, his greatest and most deadly foe.

For these are the facts which Hitler had to face up to during the week-end, but which, to his own people, he would not admit: Britain had foisted him in his Balkans quest by placing a formidable army in Greece ready to withstand any invasion from Bulgaria; Yugoslavia, undoubtedly encouraged by this fact, had told Hitler to go and play in his lair at Berchtesgaden before they would sign away their freedom to him; The great Italian offensive launched under the personal direction of Mussolini has become a fiasco and a disaster—the Italians have lost some 50,000 men and have not regained an inch of territory; the Lend and Lease Bill has become immediately operative and already new supplies are being rushed across the Atlantic to Britain; Hitler's night raiders have been given the worst beating since the start of the war, providing fresh emphasis to the fact that the Luftwaffe is being slowly, but surely driven out of the skies.

These are sober, unchallengeable facts; to Hitler, horrid and dispiriting. Already there are signs that the neurotic dictator is losing his initiative; actions are again giving precedence to words, and his promises are becoming more and more generalised. A few months ago he assured the German nation that the invasion of Britain was simply a question of him selecting the time for it; now he has fallen back on the defensive; invasion of England is dropped; instead he is "ready to meet Britain on any soil, on any seas and over any territory", which suggests that he is waiting for Britain to choose the venue, in the hope, presumably, that she will choose one which gives the Nazis the most advantage. It is a striking example of

SEA POWER and the WORLD WAR

The brilliant military campaign which has ejected the means, rests with the British armies of invasion. The result is that British from Egyptian soil and tish warships have been able to throw them back in disarray to bombard the Italian order into Libya was only forces in the rear from the made possible by sea power, sea, and the supply of reinforcements. When Italy intervened in force, the war her main task was including petrol and water, to assist Germany in defeat by sea to the Italian forces invading the British Empire by land in Libya, is made more difficult invading Egypt and securing control of the Suez. On the other hand, supplies can be carried by sea through the Balkans and forces, and their wounded Turkey to the oilfields of and prisoners evacuated by water. Another result of Iraq and Persia.

By Lord Strabolgi

The correct strategy was this failure to risk all on a for the Italian Navy to be great naval engagement is concentrated and to seek a that the Italian Navy is indecisive engagement with a able to help its army against numerically inferior British the Greeks by creating Fleet based on Alexandria. Apparently the Italian Greece or by sending sea Higher Command believed expeditions to operate in the Aegean.

be achieved by evasive or guerilla tactics. They hoped that the blockade of Italy continues. The Italian Admirals within striking distance of their own Air Force and thus to win a naval battle without risking their six battleships, the backbone of the Italian Navy.

A third important result is that the blockade of Italy continues. The Italian Admirals may attempt diversions with their submarines or by using their fast light cruisers for sporadic attacks and threats. But unless these are successful beyond all normal prospects of naval warfare they will not affect the main issue. Once more the lessons of history are made plain for us in this war.

Outside the Mediterranean the economic pressure of the blockade continues on Germany, and any attempt at invasion of the British Islands will always be an operation of the greatest danger so long as Britain possesses of superior naval power.

It had been widely held by students of war that superior air power would be able to counteract superior naval power. This has not happened in practice except in the abnormal case of the invasion of Norway. There the threat of air attack prevented the full use of British and French naval power on the German lines of communication.

Since then there has been more experience in countering air attack on warships at sea while the German air superiority has been much reduced.

The great shipbuilding programme in Britain is bearing fruit, and every month increases the effectiveness of superior naval control.

The Boy Who Started Life on a Shoe-string!



THE FARCE OF THE REICHSTAG

THE great shadow show with much noise has again been enacted in long-suffering Berlin. Hitler, having returned from one of his tours to the defeated, called the Reichstag to tell his hangers-on about his adventures.

What a farce. Just a few yards away from the Kroll Opera House is to be found the original Reichstag building which was supposed to have been burned to the ground by the dastardly Communist conspiracy in the early days of Hitler's dictatorship. Actually in that same fire only a very small portion of the great building was burned out.

But this solemn farce, which takes the place of the one time freely elected Parliament, is a sad tawdry affair. And es-

By Norman Hillson

cially elected chamber of deputies. In point of fact there are many who think it was a So many Parliaments have top-

pedity the flames did not do more damage, for, although Berlin contains very many hideous buildings, there is surely nothing so grotesque as the one time German Parliament house.

The Reichstag was a real Parliament. It was elected by popular suffrage of both male and female adults, and the people retained the right of referendum and the initiation of laws. Hitler changed all that. To-day the Reichstag is just a body of Nazi nominees who travel to Berlin to cheer the Leader no matter what latest chamber is kept in its charred shell of hyperbole he is putting out. If they do not applaud citizens of the dastardly methods of with sufficient vigour at the cry of the cheer leaders, their names are noted and a convenient opportunity is taken to remove them to another sphere of usefulness.

Mussolini, like all dictators, also deprived the Italians of a constitutional parliament. One of the dearly prized privileges of those Italians who laboured for the unification of their land was the written constitution known as the Statuto.

This document established Italy as a constitutional monarchy with a Senate of 300 members and a Chamber, elected by adult suffrage of 630.

The system, even with the volatile Italians, worked very well, but it was not good enough for Mussolini and his Blackshirts. He swept the old Chamber away, while still nominally retaining the Senate. The Chamber to-day is a "synthetic corporation". Its members are supposed to be elected. What actually happens is that the voters as a whole are presented with a list of candidates, all naturally ardent and active Fascists, whom they must elect, or reject, willy-nilly. Of course they always elect.

Now this rascal Quisling in Norway is also aping the game of the more successful adventurers. He is in progress, abolishing the famous Storting. Instead of the 150 members given to the Norwegian Parliament, there are 18 members. One quarter of them are in the upper chamber known as the Liding and the rest in a lower house called the Osloating. This last body was the more important for as in our own system it controlled all money bills.

One day a better time will return to the world. Let us hope that that better time will bring about a revival of the great Parliamentary institutions, yes, even the Reichstag.

Last of the Biplanes

British, Canadian and Australian fighter pilots have recently been gaining glory in the Gladiator, calling to encounters over the Western Desert with the fighter in the arena. Although speed is not its great asset, probably no aircraft ever been designed more suited to the close and intricate Gladiator, last of the long line manoeuvres of air fighting. Some of the most spectacular aeronautics and breathtaking formation flying seen at Hendon Displays before the war were carried out by Gladiators. And, as the first British fighter to mount more than two guns—four being the Gladiator's standard armament—it was the first multi-gun fighter to go into service. Gladiators were also used for the high altitude "weather flights" which were a feature of pre-war days.

Namés of British fighter aircraft are singularly apt, "Hurricane" and "Spitfire" have caught the imagination of friend and foe, typifying as they do the great speed and devastating fire-power of these modern eight-gunned monoplane types.

loss of confidence, but if he imagines that his blustering are capable of luring the British leaders into a false move, he displays a typically naive understanding of British intelligence. The situation is developing quite nicely for Britain and she can afford to wait before she makes the supreme move which will overthrow Hitler.

But never was a combat aircraft more appropriately named than the Gladiator, calling to a top speed of around 255 m.p.h.

During the Norway campaign a squadron of Gladiators distinguished itself in an epic flight against immense climatic difficulties and overwhelming odds. Operating from an improvised landing ground, 17 out of 18 Gladiators were lost in two days continuous fighting; but heavy losses were inflicted on the enemy.

Gladiators have since exacted their full revenge, in combat against the Italian invaders of Greece and Egypt, though often fighting against superior numbers. In one fight in Egypt recently, six Gladiator pilots met and routed 18 Fiat C.R.42 fighters; in another, four Australians, flying Gladiators, smashed a formation of 17 C.R.42's; whilst the exploits of "Lucky B" flight in clearing Egypt's air of the Italians have

technically, the Gladiator may be described as a single-seat, equal-span biplane with metal structure fuselage and wings. Wing span is about 32 feet—five feet less than the Spitfire which already made history.

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JUSTICE IN NAZI NORWAY

Judges Over-Ruled

LONDON, Mar. 17 (Reuter).—The new Peoples' Court established by Quisling in Oslo has already begun work.

Sixteen labour members of the Oslo Municipal Council, were accused of having taken part in a "demonstration against the New Order" and "having acted in a counter-revolutionary manner."

The two judges held that there was no case against the accused since they had not been guilty of any overt act. The judges, however, were overruled by the Presiding Magistrate and two lay magistrates who were all supporters of the National Socialist (Quisling Party) placed in their positions to ensure that there was always a majority for Nazi "justice."

The Sentences

Two of the accused were sentenced to 10 months' imprisonment, two to 15 months and the remainder were bound over.

All were excluded for ten years from participation in public affairs, thus automatically depriving them of seats in the Municipal Council.

Statement On Sale Of U. K. Stock

LONDON, Mar. 17 (Reuter).—A British Treasury statement on the sale of British holdings in the American Viscose Corporation says that 90 per cent. of a public issue to be made in the United States will go to the Treasury.

The shares now held totalled 448,000 shares which were held by Courtaulds Limited (the great British rayon concern). The price to be paid to Courtaulds will be settled between the Company and the Treasury or by arbitration.

This is the first fruit of the Pencock mission, which was to examine the possibility of making the best of British investments in the United States.

Determination

The statement adds: "The sale of this valuable holding to American interests is evidence of the determination of the British Government to use every possible means of self-help at a time when they are relying on the Government of the United States in the measures of assistance set out in President Roosevelt's great speech on Saturday."

Women Doctors For The Army

NEW DELHI, Mar. 17 (Reuter).—A number of posts in the British military medical services in India will be opened to British women medical practitioners, it is announced.

The selected candidates will be attached to the R.A.M.C. as medical officers with military status but without commissions.

It is proposed in the first instance to employ the selected candidates in British military families and hospitals.

William Hearst Speaks Out For Mr Roosevelt

NEW YORK, Mar. 17 (Reuter).—"We are in the conflict now, irrevocably involved in it," is the comment of Mr. William Randolph Hearst, the American newspaper magnate, on President Roosevelt's speech in today's "New York Journal-American."

Mr. Hearst described the speech as "good," adding: "The United States has been brought into war by a masterly series of good speeches... We must unite in standing by the Government we have elected and the policy we have determined upon. There is only one way out of our situation now and that is by victory."

HYDERABAD, Mar. 17 (Reuter).—The Nizam's Government has offered to raise a full R.I.A.S.C. company.

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ITALIAN AIRMEN GO TO LONDON—BY TRAIN



ALBANIA

Italians Tired After Attacks

LONDON, Mar. 17 (Reuter).

The Italians on the Albanian front are showing signs of exhaustion after the crushing of their big offensive last week, according to the Athens radio.

Only artillery fire was reported from the central sector to-day.

On Saturday, the Italians launched two relatively small attacks which were easily repulsed and a further attack on Sunday morning was also disposed of without difficulty.

Achievements In Air

ATHENS, Mar. 17 (Reuter).—After quoting the achievements of the R.A.F. in Sunday, the Athens radio announcer said that during last week 39 Italian aircraft were shot down and destroyed in air battles with Allied aircraft.

Seventeen others were severely damaged and at least 15 more were destroyed on the ground in enemy aerodromes.

Three British aircraft only were lost, the pilots of two of these returning safely.

WAR BONDS FOR BROOCHES

Paying In Kind

CHUNGKING, Mar. 17 (Central News).—For the convenience of those who like to dispose of their gold and silver ornaments, bullion or other things readily convertible into cash, the War Loan Campaign Committee has announced a set of regulations concerning subscription to the 1940 issue of government bonds by "paying in kind."

It is specified that the gold and silver exchange agency of the Central Bank of China will be responsible for appraising and cashing such ornaments.

The authorities reserve the right of refusing acceptance of certain types of payment in kind which cannot be readily converted into cash.

Exchange At A Glance

SELLING

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| T.T. London | 1/2% |
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| T.T. Shanghai | 44% |
| T.T. Singapore | 52% |
| T.T. Japan | 102% |
| T.T. India | 82% |
| T.T. U.S.A. | 24% |
| T.T. Manila | 40% |
| T.T. Batavia | 45% |
| T.T. Bangkok | 149% |
| T.T. Saigon | 104% |
| T.T. France | 102% |
| T.T. Switzerland | 102% |
| T.T. Australia | 1/6% |

BUYING

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|---------------------------|-------|
| 4 m/s L/C London | 1/3% |
| 4 m/s D/P London | 1/3% |
| 4 m/s L/C U.S.A. | 25% |
| 4 m/s France | — |
| 30 d/s India | 84% |
| U.S. Cross rate in London | 4.02% |
| U.S. Cross rate in N.Y. | 4.03% |

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

BANKS

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| H.K. Banks \$ | 1,340 n. |
| H.K. Banks £ | 75 n. |
| H.K. Banks (H.K.) £ | 77 n. |
| Chartered £ | 84 n. |
| Mercantile, A. & B. £ x.d. | 21% |
| Mercantile C. £ x.d. | 10% |
| East Asia \$ | 70 n. |

INSURANCES

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|-----------------------|--------|
| Cantons \$ | 215 n. |
| Union \$ | 425 n. |
| China Underwriters \$ | — n. |
| H.K. Fire \$ | 170 n. |

SHIPPING

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|--------------------|-----------|
| Douglas \$ | 135 n. |
| Steamboats \$ | 9 n. |
| Indo-Chinas P. \$ | 80 b. |
| Indo-Chinas D. \$ | 60 n. |
| Shell (Bearers) \$ | 41/102 n. |
| Waterboats \$ | 7 n. |

DOCKS ETC.

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|--------------------|--------|
| Wharves \$ | 94 n. |
| Docks (old) \$ | 162 n. |
| Docks (new) \$ | 16 n. |
| Providents \$ x.d. | 510 b. |
| Shadocks \$ | 282 n. |

MINING

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| Kallan \$/— | 17— n. |
| Rubis \$ x.d. | 8 n. |
| H.K. Mines \$ | 1/4 n. etc. n. |

LANDS

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|---------------------|---------|
| Hotel \$ | 328 sa. |
| Lands \$ x.d. | 312 b. |
| Lands 4% Debentures | 972 n. |
| Shih Lands \$ | 1240 n. |
| Humphries \$ | 670 b. |

UTILITIES

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|---------------------|---------|
| Trans \$ x.d. | 163 sa. |
| Peak Trams (old) \$ | 72 n. |
| Peak Trams (new) \$ | 372 n. |
| Star Ferries \$ | 542 n. |
| Y. Ferries \$ | 242 n. |

CHINA LIGHTS

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|--------------------------|----------|
| China Lights (old) | 674 n. |
| H.K. Electrics (old) \$ | 41 b. |
| H.K. Electrics (new) \$ | 40.00 b. |
| Macao Electrics (old) \$ | 17.00 b. |
| Macao Electrics (new) \$ | 16.12 b. |

SANDAKAN LIGHTS

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|---------------------|--------|
| Sandakan Lights \$ | 12 n. |
| Telephones (old) \$ | 242 n. |
| Telephones (new) \$ | 9 n. |
| Telephones (old) \$ | 16 sa. |

INDUSTRIES

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|-------------------------|-------|
| Cald. Macq. (Ord.) Sh. | 30 n. |
| Cald. Macq. (Pref.) Sh. | 22 n. |
| Canton Ices \$ | 1 n. |
| Cements \$</td | |

"R. Abbit's" Cricket Comments**Turning Back The Pavilion Clock****Players Of Thirty Years Ago
When "Tam" Pearce Was A Bowler
Few As Good To-day**

THERE was one match played off on Saturday last, a very unpleasant day, and not a wildly exciting game, though the result was of great importance to Recreio, as it now puts them very nearly on terms with K.C.C. 2nd Eleven who have to win their next match outright to get ahead of them.

The Recreio 2nd XI, who have shown considerable strength in batting, were taking no chances about going on too long, and a stand between A. G. Noronha (69 not out) and P. M. N. Silva (41 not out) enabled them to declare at 140 for 2 wickets.

The innings showed a rate of scoring of 5 runs per over which, considering the heaviness of the outfield, was not so bad.

A Collapse

At one time when F. A. Curren and A. R. Sutliff were together, it seemed as if the Indians might do something, but once the second wicket stand was broken there was a complete collapse.

M. A. Remond took 4 for 14, and E. M. L. Soares 4 for 12, and eventually the whole side was out for 58 runs, after having had 43 for 1 on the board.

It is greatly to be hoped that the improved weather which exists today (Monday) when I am writing these notes, will lead to a fine weekend and to some really cheerful cricket.

Old Days

AS there is no active cricket to write about, it has occurred to me that my readers may be interested by a few reminiscences of cricket as I saw it in my early days in the Colony. I may be inaccurate but it will be more in dates than in facts.

Things were rather complicated in that for the 1911/12 and 1912/13 seasons I was playing rugger and living out at the Rest House, Tai Po (now the Police Bungalow) all the week. At first our present Colonial Secretary, G. R. Sayer, W. Schofield (the last two both retired now) shared the Mess, but I think I was the only one to go in regularly to play rugger, and Tommy King, who was then known, always found me a camp bed in a small study at the Water Police Station.

Sayer, I believe, used to play cricket for the H.K.C.C. Sunny Wood (A.E.) used to play centre to me for a bit until he tore a muscle and gave up rugger. He was one of the Water Police Mess where Tommy King played for the Police C.C. and Robbie Hutchinson (who died tragically in 1920) captained the Civil Service.

First Contacts

I CLEARLY recollect that the first game of cricket I saw in Hongkong was in about January 1912, when I was being taken along to the Bowling Alley in the Club to

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**Referees' Decisions**

Sir.—I do not agree entirely with the views expressed by "Scrambler" which appeared in your paper last Saturday.

I always believe that, unless the players and spectators are taught to accept the referee's decision as final, it is no use to have any competitive games. If we allow protests and re-play there will be no end of trouble.

When a referee errs only on one side, it does not necessarily mean that he is biased—he may be perfectly honest. There may be "black sheep" among them, but we can get rid of these quite easily. The best way would be for the Referees' Association to give the name of the referee a week or a few days before a match, and this referee is to be approved by both teams. In other words, any side has the right to refuse him.

To protest against a referee's decision or to ask for a replay is, in my opinion, contrary to the idea of sport and the spirit of good sportsmanship.

I am afraid that the recent "football riot" in Shanghai was the result of the same misunderstanding.

A CHINESE SPORTSMAN.

Athletics**J. Macaulay Prominent At D.B.S. Sports**

RECORDING four 1st's, three 2nd's and two 3rd's in eleven events, J. Macaulay took individual honours at the Diocesan Boys' School annual athletic sports meeting held at the school ground yesterday. Midway championship went to Tan Kok-ling and junior to P. Mugford.

The Inter-House competition was very close. It was a duel between Yellow House and Blue, with the former capturing first place by only four points. Totals were: Yellow

103; Blue 103.

Results were:

100 Yards (Senior)—1. H. Wong; 2. L. Jernakoff; 3. J. Macaulay (dead heat); 4. P. Mugford.

112.5 Middle—1. E. Read; 2. Tan Kok-ling; 3. B. Lim; Time, 12.5. Junior—1. P. Mugford; 2. Ng Luen-fuk; 3. Lee Kuan-yew; 12.5.

High Jump (Senior)—1. Lim Hong-hong; 2. J. Macaulay; 3. S. Hall; Height, 5 ft. 6 in. Middle—1. E. Read; 2. Tan Kok-ling; 3. B. Lim; Height, 4 ft. 11 in. Junior—1. Ng Luen-fuk; 2. Ng Kwek-kin; Height, 3 ft. 7 1/2 in.

Sack Race (Middle)—1. P. Yew; 2. B. Lim; 3. Tan Kok-ling; 4. Ng Luen-fuk.

Shot Put (Senior)—1. P. Yew; 2. B. Lim; 3. Tan Kok-ling; 4. Ng Luen-fuk.

100 Yards (Senior)—1. J. Macaulay; 2. G. H. S. Read; 3. B. Lim; Time, 12.5. Middle—1. P. Mugford; 2. Lee E-shan; Time, 13.25. Middle—1. E. Read; 2. Tan Kok-ling; 3. B. Lim; Time, 12.5. Junior—1. P. Mugford; 2. Lee E-shan; Time, 13.25.

Long Jump (Senior)—1. Lim Hong-hong; 2. C. Whitfield; 3. Ma Hin-hong; 4. G. H. S. Read; 5. Tan Kok-ling; 6. B. Lim; Distance, 15 ft. 9 in. Junior—1. P. Mugford; 2. Lee E-shan; 3. Chan Kwek-kin; 4. Ng Luen-fuk; 5. Lee Kuan-yew; 6. Tan Kok-ling; 7. Ng Luen-fuk.

Obstacle Race (Senior)—Wong Kam-cheung; 2. N. Masters; 3. W. Macaulay; Middle—1. P. Yew; 2. J. Ramsey; 3. Tan Kok-ling; 4. N. Masters; 5. P. Mugford; 6. Ng Luen-fuk.

Shot Put (Senior)—1. Lim Hong-hong; 2. C. Whitfield; 3. Ma Hin-hong; 4. G. H. S. Read; 5. Tan Kok-ling; 6. B. Lim; Distance, 15 ft. 9 in. Junior—1. P. Mugford; 2. Lee E-shan; 3. Chan Kwek-kin; 4. Ng Luen-fuk; 5. Lee Kuan-yew; 6. Tan Kok-ling; 7. Ng Luen-fuk.

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100 Yards (Middle)—1. J. Macaulay; 2. C. Whitfield; 3. Hau Yuanyo; 4. Tan Kok-ling; 5. B. Lim; Time, 12.5.

100 Yards (Junior)—1. J. Macaulay; 2. S. Hall; 3. Hau Yuanyo; 4. Tan Kok-ling; 5. B. Lim; Time, 12.5.

100 Yards (Athlete's Foot)—1. J. Macaulay; 2. S. Hall; 3. Hau Yuanyo; 4. Tan Kok-ling; 5. B. Lim; Time, 12.5.

100 Yards (Basket ball)—1. J. Macaulay; 2. S. Hall; 3. Hau Yuanyo; 4. Tan Kok-ling; 5. B. Lim; Time, 12.5.

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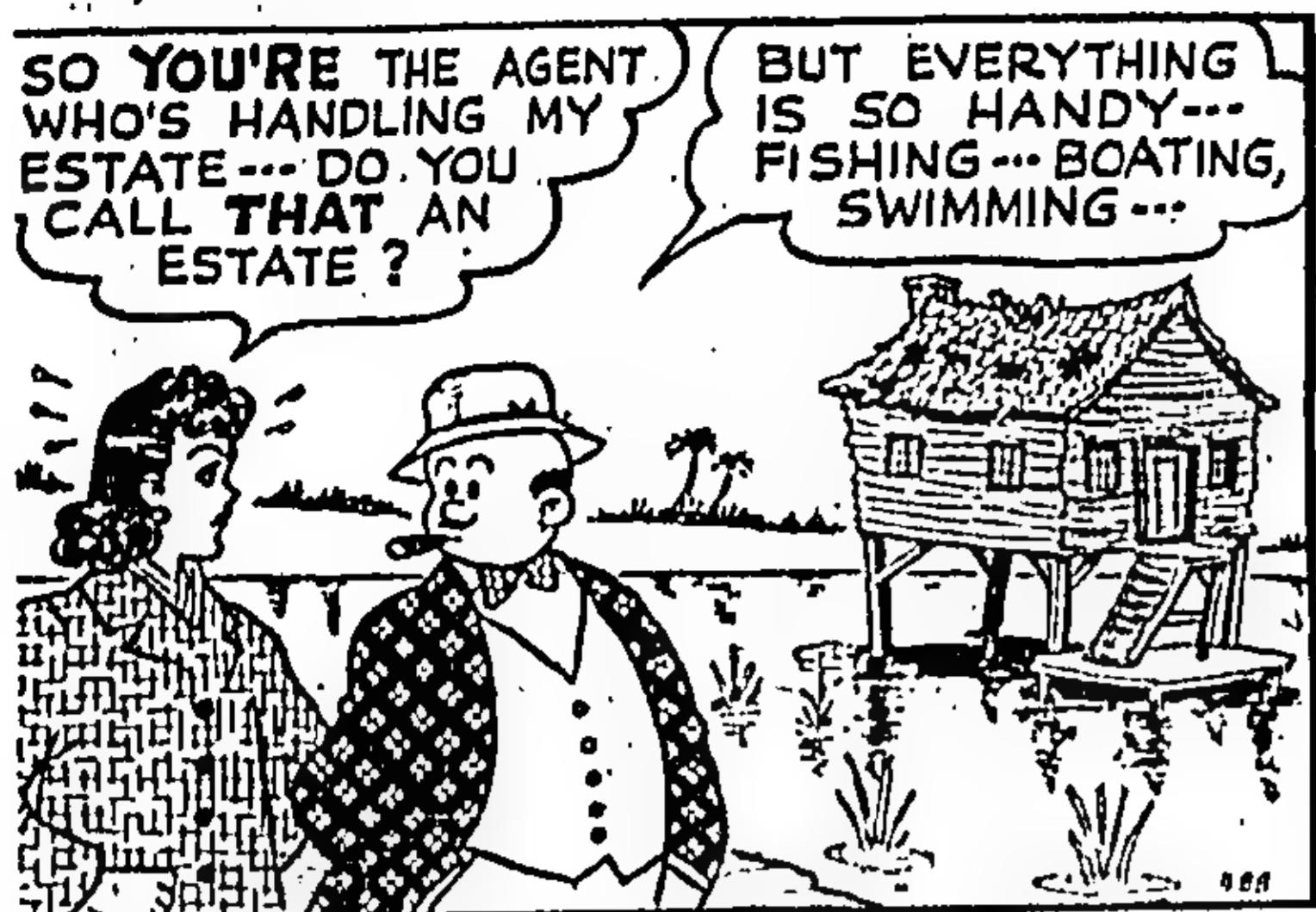
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NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller



Bank Of Canton's Net Profit

The annual general meeting of the Bank of Canton, Limited, was held at the Company's registered offices, No. 8 Des Voeux Road, Central, on Saturday.

In the absence of Mr. T. V. Soon, Chairman, Mr. H. O. Tong presided and read the Directors' report which stated that the net profit for the year, including \$55,770 brought forward from last year, amounted to \$2,184,000.00. From this sum the Directors had set aside \$1,300,000 and \$128,370.12 respectively to increase the General Reserve to \$2,800,000 and the Reserve for Depreciation of Bank Buildings to \$208,370.12. The Bank building thus stood in the books at only \$1,500,000.

After making these reservations, there was a sum of \$753,684 available for appropriation which the Directors recommended be dealt with as follows:

CONCERT FOR SCHOOLS

The third concert of the Hongkong Schools' Musical Association will be held to-day at 5.30 p.m. at the Diocesan Boys' School, Kowloon. The concert is arranged by the Very Rev. Father Rigan, with choral items by the Choir of St. Joseph's Church, Garden Road. There will also be piano solos by Miss Caroline Braga and piano duets by Misses Braga and Mrs. E. Drown.

Dividends on First Preference Shares at 12 per cent., on Second Preference Shares at four per cent. and Ordinary Shares at four per cent. \$470,448; Bonus to members of the Subscription Committee, \$31,400.00; Directors' Fees, \$8,750; Bonus to Directors and Staff, \$103,763.01; leaving a balance of \$79,203.41 to be carried forward to the Profit and Loss Account for 1941.

The report and accounts were adopted and Messrs. Love Bingham and Matthews were re-elected Auditors.

Bremen Reported In Flames

London, Mar. 17. The crack German liner Bremen has been blazing since yesterday and all efforts to extinguish the fire have failed states the German Official News Agency.

According to the Nord Deutscher Lloyd, the fire broke out on board. Its cause has not been ascertained.

It is believed that the liner was hit during the R.A.F. raid on the ship-yards of Hamburg and Bremen last Thursday night.

The Bremen is a liner of 50,000 tons, and, it will be recalled, passed the British submarine Salmon in the North Sea on her return to Germany from America. The Salmon was not able to fire a torpedo owing to the international regulations which prevented her from attacking the ship in neutral waters.—Reuter Bulletin.

Popular Civil Servant Married Yesterday

RAYS of sunshine were a happy omen for the picturesque wedding which took place at St. John's Cathedral yesterday afternoon, when Miss Katherine Ellinor Collie became the bride of Mr. John Barrow. The Rev. A. P. Rose officiated, and Mr. J. R. M. Smith was at the organ.

The bride, who is a nursing sister at Queen Mary Hospital, is the elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Anderson Collie, of Edinburgh, Scotland.

Her gown of heavy white satin was fashioned with a high waisted draped bodice which buttoned down the back, and sleeves that were long and fitted. The full skirt ended in a short train at the back. A long circular, embroidered tulle veil was held in position by a crown of orange blossoms. She carried a bouquet of tuber-roses. The ensemble was made by Eunice.

The Principal Matron of Queen Mary Hospital, Miss Alice Mary Davies, acted as Maid-of-Honour and wore a smart ankle-length frock of blue and white. Her black hat was trimmed with pink roses, which flowers, mixed with larkspur, composed her bouquet.

The two bridesmaids were the Misses Dorothy Baker and Mutual Fielder, who wore charming shepherdess frocks of soft white organdie embroidered with shamrocks. The full skirts were looped at the hem and worn over white net and lace petticoats. Long white kid gloves offset the short puffed sleeves. Their large white Bungalow straw hats were trimmed with Irish green velvet ribbon with long streamers tied under the chin. Their bouquets of white marguerites and scarlet geraniums were tied with Irish green velvet ribbons.

Bridegroom's Career
The bridegroom is the son of Major-General H. P. W. Barrow, c.b., d.s.o., o.b.e., and Mrs. Barrow, of Epsom, England. A member of the Colonial Administrative Service, the bridegroom came to Hongkong in February, 1927. Two years later he was appointed Assistant to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs in March, and Fourth Assistant Colonial Secretary in May. In November of that year he became Acting Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor, and to His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government in the following February. In May he was appointed Secretary to His Excellency the Governor. He was again Assistant to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs in June, 1930.

In November, 1931, Mr. Barrow was attached to the District Office, North. The following year he acted as Private Secretary to His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government from May to November. He passed his Law Examination in December of that year and was appointed Police Magistrate and First Clerk of the Hongkong Magistracy.

In May 1932 he became Assistant Superintendent of Imports and Exports, and the following year was Act. of Superintendent of the Department during May. Before going on leave in September, 1935, he became, in addition, Acting District Officer, South. On his return from leave in October, 1936, he was appointed District Officer, North.

Lieut.-Col. G. R. Kidd, of the 2/14th Punjab Regiment, gave the bride away, while Mr. Ian Phillip Tamworth undertook the duties of best man.

The reception was held at the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel. Afterwards Mrs. Barrow changed into a pearl grey woolen suit with black accessories, and a silver fox fur, with a corsage of white orchids for dramatic accent.

ADMIRAL DECOUX NOT RESIGNING

Saigon, Mar. 17. A government spokesman to-day officially denied the Tokyo report that the Governor-General Admiral Decoux would be removed because Vichy accused him of being insufficiently anti-de Gaulle.

On the contrary, the spokesman declared, Admiral Decoux had that morning received a telegram from Vichy thanking him for his actions during the Tokyo negotiations.—United Press.

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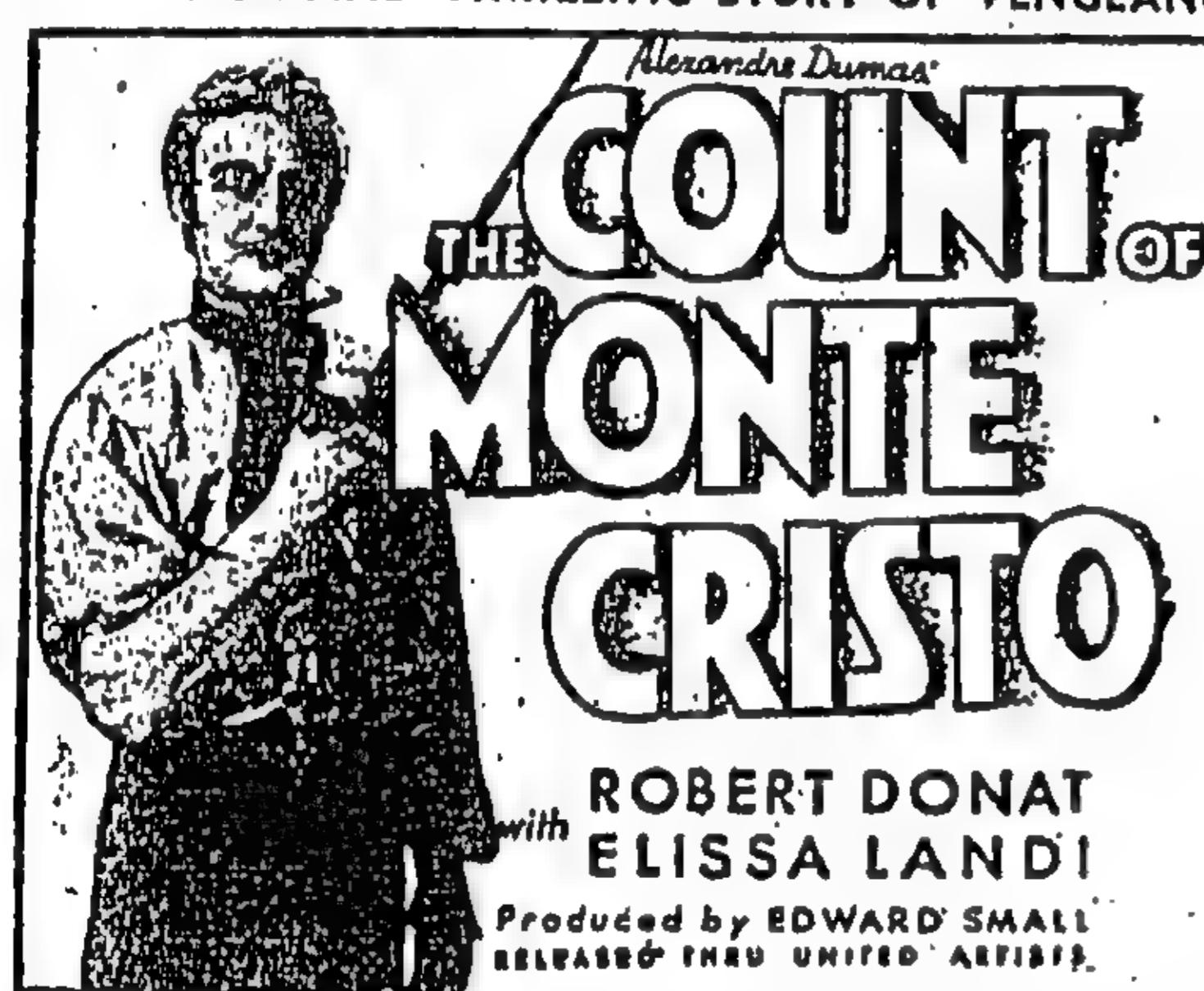
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RETAKE OF BERBERA

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CAIRO, Mar. 17 (Reuter).—With the recapture of Berbera, another threat to Adulis Ababa in developing, a British spokesman stated here this evening.

Empire troops are now steadily closing on the heart of the Italian Empire from 12 points.

The recapture of Berbera, the spokesman added, is also expected to ease the supply problem considerably.

It is recited here that when the Italians entered Berbera in August, 1940, Rome radio proclaimed that the collapse of the British Empire was inevitable, and that the Red Sea had been closed to the Royal Navy.

It is not yet possible to say whether the British successes on the Keren front are a prelude to an offensive or a part of the steady fighting which has been going on for six weeks, but "Reuter" is told: "Things are boiling up at Keren again."

ARMED U.S. AID FOR BRITAIN

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Mr Sidney Hillman, Miss Perkins, the Secretary of Labour, and other officials.

Strong Words

Opening the conference, Mr. Knudsen said: "We have got to go into production in America on a scale never approached before. Our need for ships and propulsion machinery for ships, tanks and planes is so great that upon you rests the responsibility of training more people in the shortest possible time in order to meet the deliveries sorely needed here and abroad."

Mr. Knudsen urged ship-builders specifically to "give every skilled man three helpers to learn his work."

Bomber Captured

LONDON, Mar. 17 (British Wireless).—The only Italian bomber to fly over Nairobi, state the Air Ministry, did so to the other day, piloted by a South African Air Force pilot.

The Caproni, a three-engined monoplane, had been flown 650 miles from Mogadisso, where it was left by the Italians in the process of overhaul when they made their hurried departure.

Large Units Cricket Tourney

The semi-final of the Large Units Cricket Tournament between Royal Engineers and Royal Artillery will be played at Sookunpoo to-morrow afternoon. The winners will meet the Combined Small Units in the final on Thursday, March 27, at Sookunpoo.

Navy Fifteen

The following will represent Navy amateur Club "A" at Happy Valley at 5 p.m. to-morrow: S/Ldr. Wright; Sub-Lt. McGuire, L/Tel. Paul P. O. Wilson, L/Tel. Howden; Lt. Carter, Lt. Rutherford; Sub-Lt. Danger, Sub-Lt. L. C. P. P. L. A. C. Stockham, C. P. O. W. K. Yeo, Ingles, Lt. Watson, L. S. A. Palmer.

Civil Service Team

The following will represent Civil Service C.C. in a Junior League cricket match against Police on Saturday: H. E. Strange (Capt.), G. Alsatie, T. Barrow, G. Davidson, F. E. Lawrence, T. Lockhart, J. F. MacGowan, J. Mitchell, N. L. Smith, G. Stone, A. Watson.

LATE NEWS

GERMAN CLAIM

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Mar. 17 (UP).—The official news agency reports that German torpedo planes last Sunday attacked a strong British naval force 40 kilometers west of Grete, making direct torpedo hits on two battleships which were, for a long time, enveloped in black smoke clouds. The British squadron consisted of two battleships, six cruisers and several destroyers.

Eminent Indian Passes

LAHORE, Mar. 17 (Reuter).—The death is announced of Sir Mohamed Hyat Khan Noon, father of the Indian High Commissioner in London.

Sir Mohamed was knighted in 1935. He was a member of the Council of State and formerly Commissioner at Lahore. He was presented with a sword of honour at the Provincial Durbar for his recruiting services during the war.

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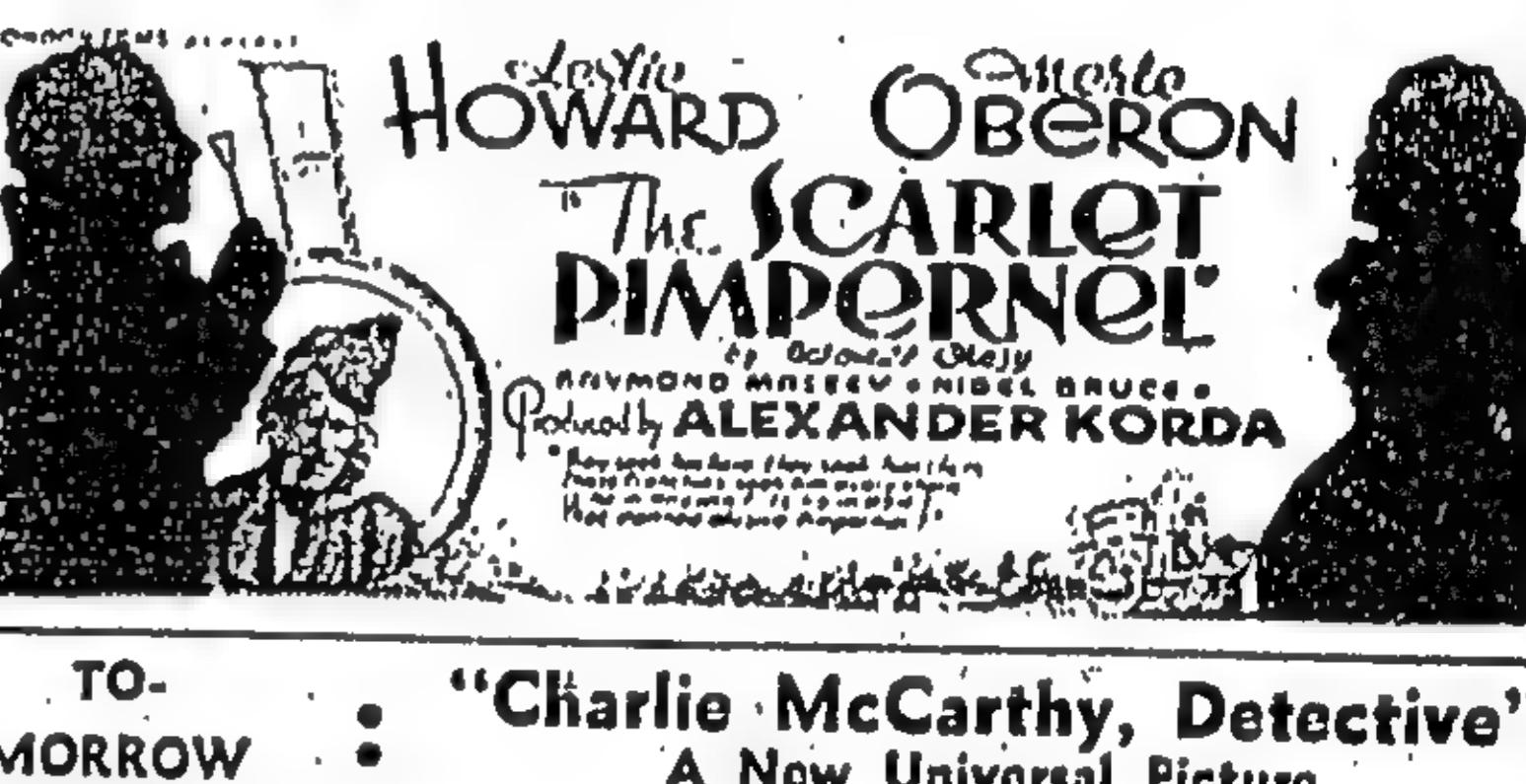
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Thyssen's Fate

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

ZURICH, Mar. 17 (UP).—As far as can be ascertained, Herr Fritz Thyssen, the well known German industrialist, is still in German hands at an unknown place after the French authorities, last December, had taken him from Cannes to Vichy.

MR MATSUOKA

LONDON, Mar. 17 (Reuter).—Yosuke Matsuoka, the Japanese Foreign Minister, has arrived at the Russian frontier station of Olsor, states a message to the German official news agency. He is on his way to Berlin.

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WHITEAWAY'S

RETAKING OF BERBERA TRAPS ITALIANS IN WHOLE OF E. AFRICA

Special to the "Telegraph".

LONDON, MAR. 17 (UP).—THE RECAPTURE OF BERBERA, CAPITAL OF BRITISH SOMALILAND, MEANS THAT THE BRITISH HAVE TRAPPED THE ITALIANS IN ERITREA, ITALIAN SOMALILAND AND ABYSSINIA.

U-BOATS' NEW WAR ZONE

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Special to the "Telegraph".

WASHINGTON, Mar. 17 (UP).—The United States has been informed that Germany plans to start submarine operations off the United States coast near New York.

Footballer Acquitted

Adjudged Not Drunk In First Division Match

Charged with having been drunk while playing in the First Division football match between Royal Scots and Middlesex at Stockport on March 1, Private David Fleming, Royal Scots, was found not guilty by a Military Court at Murray Barracks this morning.

The Court comprised Major J. M. Browning, Royal Regiment, Capt. A.O.G. Mills, Royal Artillery, and Lieut. R. W. H. Willoughby, Middlesex. Prosecuting Officer was Capt. H. C. Harland, Royal Scots, and Defending Officer was Lieut. C. R. Jones, Royal Scots.

In submitting that Defendant had no case to answer, Lieut. Jones said that although the prosecution had supplied witnesses who under oath had said that Defendant appeared to be drunk on the field of play, no action had been taken against him until he was injured late in the second half of the match. The opportunity was then taken to arrest Defendant.

Evidence Reviewed

Lieut. Jones said that Major B. D'E. Barclay, R.A.M.C., had said in evidence that a layman could not judge from appearances whether a man was drunk and he would imagine that a man in severe neuralgic pain would be drunk. Major Barclay had also said, when cross-examined, that a man in severe neuralgic pain would give the Fuehrer the impression that he was drunk. Others including Major J. D. Fraser, R.A.M.C., who treated Fleming after the match for a knee injury, testified that Fleming's condition appeared normal.

The Defending Officer concluded by pointing out that no action had been taken by the referee against Fleming in the course of the football match.

The Court acquitted Fleming after a short retirement.

Food For France Exmouth Leaves U.S.

JERSEY CITY, Mar. 17 (Reuter).—The steamship Exmouth sailed to-day for Marseilles loaded to its top-decks with an American Red Cross cargo of food, clothing, medicines and surgical supplies to the value of \$1,250,000.

Three hundred tons of oatmeal and farina remained on the quayside as the British refused to allow it through the blockade.

There were no passengers. The clearance granted by Britain and Germany for March 7 was delayed because Italy needed more time to notify her naval units.

BRITISH TROOPS IN GREECE

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

ISTANBUL, Mar. 17 (UP).—It is reliably reported that almost all of the British troops sent to Greece were landed at Piraeus—and have been transported to Salonika and elsewhere by railway.

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Collapse Of Nazi Military Machine

Senator's Prediction

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

WASHINGTON, Mar. 17 (UP).—The Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Senator Walter F. George, to-day predicted that the German military machine will collapse through disaffection among the conquered populations when Britain attains equality with Germany in the air.

Explaining that Government, under the scheme, was not an importer or a merchant, and had no financial responsibility beyond levying a duty of 12 cents per picul on all rice imports and paying out a pro rata subsidy of 18 cents per picul monthly on all stocks held in obliged reserve, Mr. Barry stated that Government would not be liable for compensation for any damage to or loss of reserve stocks except as the result of enemy action, riots or civil commotion.

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RICE SITUATION IN HONGKONG

By A Staff Representative

Reports current that the Government had suffered considerable financial loss as the result of deterioration of grain stored under the Rice Control Scheme were denied this morning by Mr. F. C. Barry, Controller of Rice.

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Deterioration

This was revealed at the annual general meeting of the British Chamber of Commerce by the Chairman, Mr. D. B. Tait, who said that British business in Hankow in 1940 had experienced another year of "facing a blank wall of prohibited trade."

Mr. Tait declared that the Japanese military authorities in Ichang continued to interfere with British interests by forcible seizure of British traffic to secure the cargo contained in them despite the most vigorous representations of their own authorities and the highest quarters.

Mr. Tait said that, in the ordinary course of things, rice would keep in perfectly good condition in this climate for five or six months. He revealed that experiments carried out by the authorities with air conditioning showed that rice would keep for as long as two years.

Questioned as to whether or not he had discovered that releases of good quality rice had in some instances been replaced with broken (low quality) grain, Mr. Barry said he had discovered all sorts of things, but emphasised that the reserve

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LATEST

Japanese Troops Enter Kaoan

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

ON THE KIANGSI FRONT, Mar. 10 (Dowm).—Four detachments of Japanese forces which have been smashing stubborn enemy resistance since yesterday morning entered the castle of Kaoan, vital Chinese stronghold about 50 miles southwest of Nanchang; at dawn to-day, and subsequently continued their operation in pursuit of the Chinese troops.

Mine Disaster

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

SAPORO, Mar. 18 (Dowm).—There was a big explosion 1,600 metres deep into the sixth layer of the Mitsubishi Coal Mine at Bihai in Soraich, Hokkaido, about 2.30 this morning. Rescue squads were immediately organized and by half past nine, 93 out of 201 workers entombed had been rescued and four bodies recovered. Rescue operations are continuing.

Nazi Designs On S. America

Warning By Col. Knox

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

BALTIMORE, Mar. 17 (UP).—The Secretary of the Navy, Colonel Frank Knox, in a speech here to-day declared that Germany will invade South America with her colonists if she is victorious.

He said, "What will happen if the Axis Powers win a complete victory? With Hitler in control of Europe he will dominate all its trade. Our greatest market, Great Britain, will be gone."

"South America with its natural European market will be invaded by Axis colonists and developed methodically with true German efficiency. This colonization will be followed by Nazi political conquests and later by military domination. Invasion of the last outpost against world domination under Dictatorships will have begun. Once entrenched, Totalitarianism will spread like plague."

He declared that if Germany and Italy and Japan win, the United States will lose trade in both the Pacific and the Atlantic, "and to the United States would come one of the greatest depressions in all history."

U.S. Requires Several Strategical Materials

Special to the "Telegraph".

WASHINGTON, Mar. 17 (UP).—Reliable Government sources told the "United Press" to-day that defence officials have submitted to the Maritime Commission a list of about 60 important materials and commodities, obtained in Latin America, the Far East and elsewhere, which must be given preference in United States cargo vessels.

They said the list includes all the items which the army and navy regard as critical, as well as about 20 other items the importance of which the Government regards as essential under the present emergency.

Informed quarters said the Government is evolving a large scale programme to conserve space and to reorganize the shipping routes. One reliable source said that plans for a drastic re-organisation will be disclosed soon. The strategic materials

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H. K. Stock Market

The following quotations were listed on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning:

BANKS

| | |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| H.K. Banks \$..... | 1,340 n. |
| H.K. Banks £..... | 75 n. |
| H.K. Banks (H.K.) £..... | 77 n. |
| Churched £..... | 63 1/2 n. |
| Mercurial, A. & B. £ x.d. | 21 1/2 n. |
| Mercurial C. £ x.d. | 10 1/2 n. |
| East Asia \$..... | 70 n. |

INSURANCES

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| Carlton \$..... | 215 n. |
| Union \$..... | 425 b. |
| China Underwriters \$..... | 1 n. |
| H.K. Fire \$..... | 170 n. |

SHIPPING

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| Douglas \$..... | 135 n. |
| Steamboats \$..... | 0 n. |
| Indo-Chinas P. \$..... | 60 b. |
| Indo-Chinas D. \$..... | 60 n. |
| Shell (Bearers) \$..... | 41 10 1/2 n. |
| Waterboats \$..... | 7 n. |

DOCKS ETC.

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| Wharves \$..... | 04 n. |
| Docks (old) \$..... | 10 1/2 n. |
| Docks (new) \$..... | 10 n. |
| Providents \$ x.d. | 5 10 b. |
| Shai Dockyards \$..... | 28 1/2 n. |

MINING

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| Kallan \$/..... | 17/- n. |
| Raubs \$ x.d. | 8 n. |
| H.K. Mines 1/4 cts. n. | 30 ga. |

LANDS

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| Hotel \$..... | 320 ga. |
| Lands \$ x.d. | 319 1/2 b. |
| Lands 4% Debentures | 97 1/2 n. |
| Shai Lands Sh. \$..... | 12 10 n. |
| Humphreys \$..... | 070 b. |
| H.K. Realties \$..... | 34 1/2 n. |
| Chinese Estates \$ x.d. | 08 n. |

UTILITIES

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|-------------------------------|--------------|
| Trams \$ x.d. | 10 1/2 s. |
| Peaks Trams (old) \$..... | 7 1/2 n. |
| Peaks Trams (new) \$..... | 3 1/2 n. |
| Star Ferries \$..... | 5 1/2 n. |
| Y. Ferries \$..... | 24 1/2 n. |
| China Lights (old) \$..... | 0 1/2 n. |
| China Lights (new) \$..... | 1.075 1/2 n. |
| H.K. Electrics (old) \$..... | 41 b. |
| H.K. Electrics (new) \$..... | 40.98 b. |
| Macao Electrics (old) \$..... | 17.68 b. |
| Macao Electrics (new) \$..... | 16 1/2 b. |
| Shaiulon Lights \$..... | 12 n. |
| Telephones (old) \$..... | 24 1/2 n. |
| Telephones (new) \$..... | 0 1/2 n. |

INDUSTRIALS

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| Gold: Macq. (Ord.) Sh. \$..... | 30 n. |
| Gold: Macq. (Pref.) Sh. \$..... | 25 n. |
| Canton Ices \$..... | 1 n. |
| Cents \$..... | 17 10 b. |
| H.K. Ropes \$..... | 0.15 sa. |

STORES, &c.

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| Dairy Farms \$..... | 10 ga. |
| Watsons \$..... | 10 1/2 b. & s. |
| Lane Crawfords \$..... | 7 1/2 n. |
| Sinceres \$..... | 2 1/2 n. |
| Wing On (H.K.) \$..... | 30 n. |
| Powell Ltd. \$..... | 1.00 n. |

COTTON MILLS

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| Ewo Sh. \$..... | 44 1/2 n. |
| Shai Cotton Sh. \$..... | 185 n. |

MISC.

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| H.K. Govt. 4%..... | 07 n. |
| H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% (1934)..... | 04 1/2 n. |
| H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% (1940)..... | 04 n. |
| Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 GSids..... | 42 n. |
| H.K. Entertainments \$..... | 7 n. |
| Constructions (old) \$..... | 1.00 n. |
| Constructions (new) \$..... | 1 n. |
| Vibro Filling \$..... | 7.70 n. |
| Marsmans Inv. (Lon.) \$/..... | 0.0 n. |
| Marsmans Inv. (H.K.) \$/..... | 2/6 n. |

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The existing scale of discounts will remain in force.

By order of the Board of Directors,

D. W. MUNTON,
Manager.
Hongkong, 8th March, 1941.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

E. COCK,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1941.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held in the P. & O. Building, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong, at 11.15 o'clock in the forenoon on Thursday, the 20th day of March, 1941, or as soon thereafter as the Ordinary General Meeting of the Company shall have terminated for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following resolutions:

1. That the Directors be and they are hereby authorised to capitalise the sum of \$3,000,000 Hongkong currency, part of the undivided profits of the Company standing to the credit of the Company's Reserve Fund, and to allot to the members holding shares of the Company as on the first day of April "One thousand nine, hundred and forty-one in respect of the net amount capitalised fully paid shares of the Company of equivalent nominal value in the proportion of one share for every three shares of the Company held by them respectively and that such shares so allotted shall rank for dividends as from the 1st day of July, 1941.

2. That if on such distribution as aforesaid any person would be entitled to a fractional share the Directors shall, in lieu of issuing fractional certificates, cause the whole share to be allotted to a person or persons to be named by the Directors and such share shall, at such time as the Directors think fit, be sold and the proceeds distributed amongst the persons entitled to the fractions making up such share.

By order of the Board of Directors.

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NOTICE

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The following rates will be charged for mailing single copies of the following newspapers abroad:

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China and Macao

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British and Foreign

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25 cents Saturdays.

HONGKONG, 21st February, 1941.

NOTE:

Under the powers conferred upon them by Article 12 of the Articles of Association of the Company, the Directors have decided to offer to Shareholders on the Register on the 1st day of April, 1941, one share at par for every complete three shares held by them (excluding the Bonus Shares to be offered to them under the preceding resolution) upon the terms that payment for such shares shall be made to the Company's Bankers The Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, Hong Kong, or before the 30th September, 1941, and that Shareholders given power to renounce their rights under such offer and that no rights attach to any fractions. The shares taken up under the above offer shall rank for dividends as from 1st day of July, 1941. Formal letters of offer, acceptance and renunciation will be sent to Shareholders as soon as possible after April 1st next.

11.00 Close Down.

LONDON, Mar. 17 (British Wireless).—Twenty-three young men from Fiji, including the son of a leading chief, have been selected for training with the R.A.F.

11.00 Close Down.

After many months of illness, the death of Mrs Lee Yee occurred at her residence, 31 Boundary Street, at 2.25 p.m. on Monday. Mrs Lee was 67 years old and a widow, having come to Hongkong from Portland, Oregon, some years ago.

She leaves four sons—Harry, Victor, Howard and Daniel—and five daughters—Frances, Hazel, Ngon Doon, Mrs Bowen Chann and Mrs Walter Chung—to mourn her death.

Funeral service will be held in Anderson's Funeral Parlour to-morrow at 4 p.m., and the body will be cremated on Thursday, prior to sending the ashes back to America.

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Notice to Shareholders

THE FIFTY-FOURTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on WEDNESDAY, the 26th MARCH, 1941, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st DECEMBER, 1940.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 15th MARCH, 1941, to WEDNESDAY, the 26th MARCH, 1941, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary and Manager.
Hongkong, 7th March, 1941.

YUGO-SLAVIA'S FIRM STAND

Nazis Meet With Set-Back

LONDON, Mar. 17 (Reuters).—There are authentic indications that German plans met a setback in Yugo-Slavia and a first consequence has been to slow down whatever action Germany contemplated against Greece.

Germany's primary aim of securing the right of transit through the Vardar valley and, as a second alternative, of securing Yugo-Slavia's benevolent non-belligerency by joining her to the Axis pact, both seem to have been resolutely resisted.

Even a concentration of 60,000 Italian troops on the Dalmatian frontier has not made Belgrade more tractable. It will not be surprising that Germany is not disposed to act against Greece with a non-belligerent Yugo-Slavia as a potential menace to her long line of communication.

In face of this setback to the desperate Hitler offensive in Albania however, Hitler must act quickly if his help is to save Mussolini from a big disaster in Albania as he met in Libya. The Italian armies must be in a very vulnerable position after their great losses and it is only to be expected that the Greeks and the Royal Air Force will exploit the opportunities of the situation.

British Envoy's Talk

LONDON, Mar. 17 (Reuters).—Mr Ronald Ian Campbell, the British Minister to Yugo-Slavia, had a long interview with Dr Dragisla Cvetkovich, the Yugo-Slav Premier, to-day, states a Belgrade dispatch to the German news agency.

WRECKAGE FOUND

Matson Freighter Sinks In Storm

WASHINGTON, Mar. 17 (UP).—The Coast Guard cutter Bibb reported to-day that she had picked up wreckage from the Matson Navigation Company's freighter Mahukona off Bermuda.

The Mahukona was a 2,512 ton vessel and carried a normal crew of 20 men. She was registered at Sun Francisco.

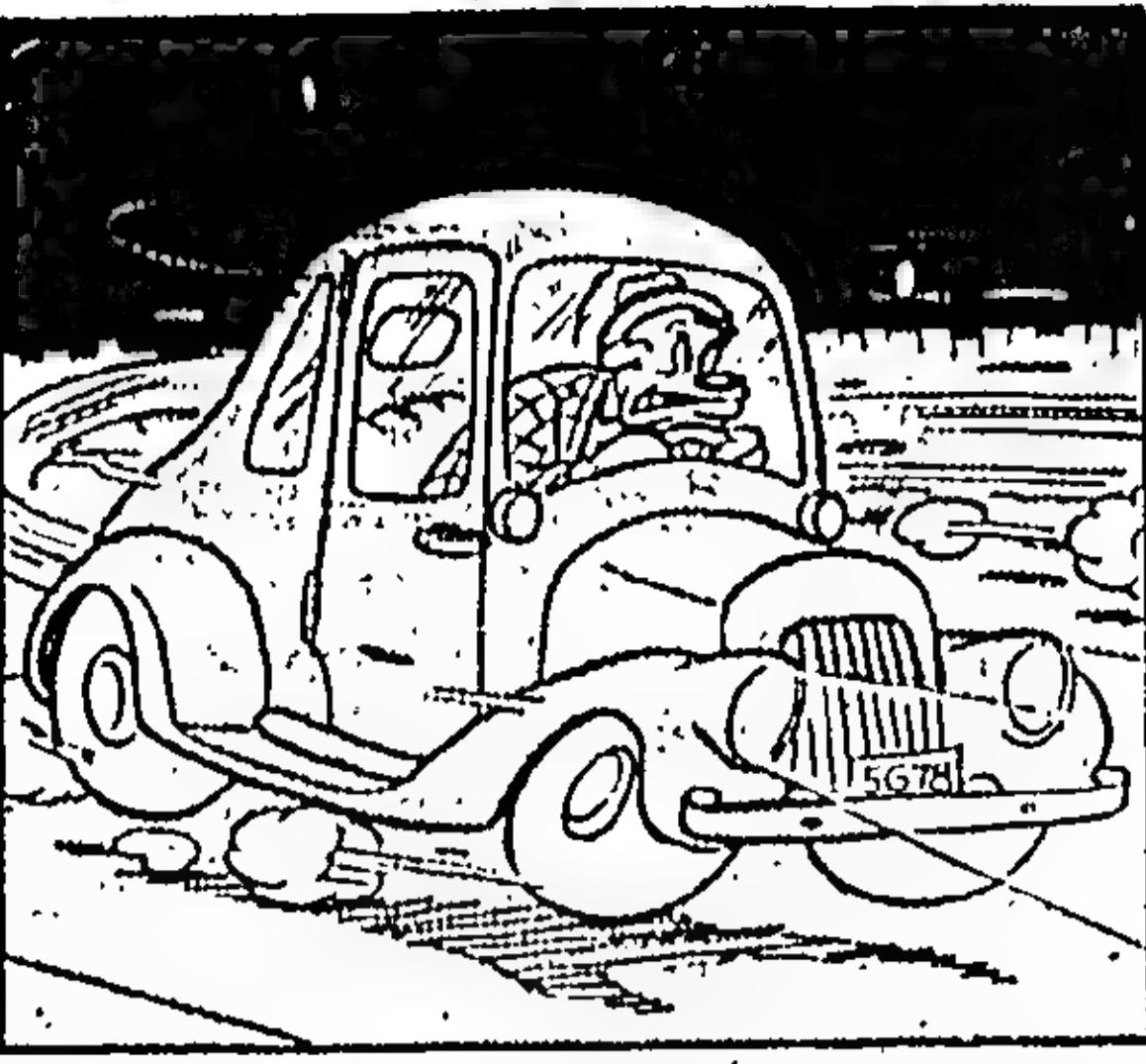
The Weather Bureau said she probably sank in a "peltily severe storm" which swept over the Bermuda area last Saturday.

Radio Report

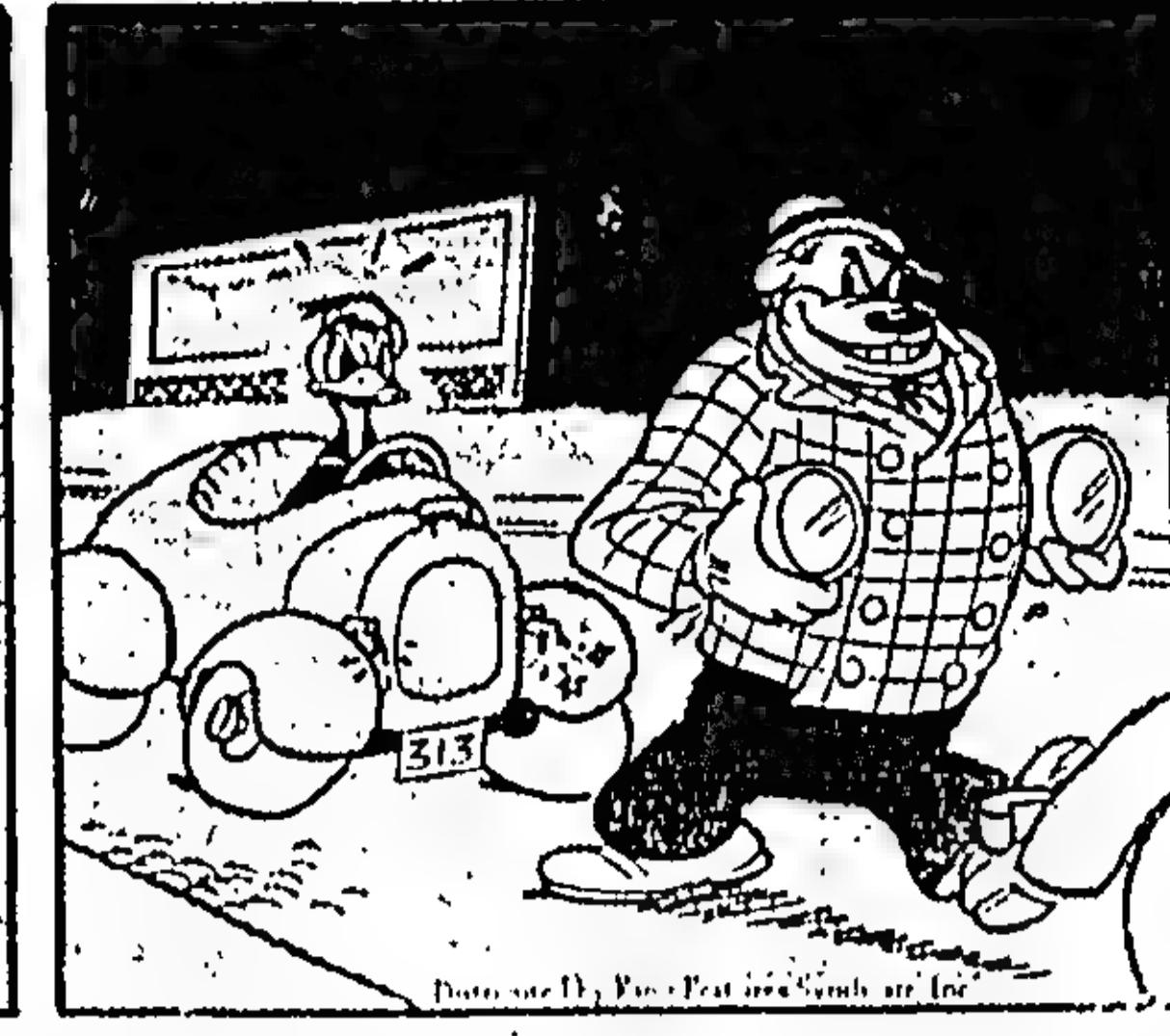
JUPITER, Fla., Mar. 17 (UP).—Mackay Radio reported that the steamer Mahukona sent out a distress call at 9 a.m. on Saturday and announced a few minutes later that the crew was abandoning ship.

A New York report said the Portuguese Liner Borinquen proceeded to the Mahukona's assistance, but Mackay

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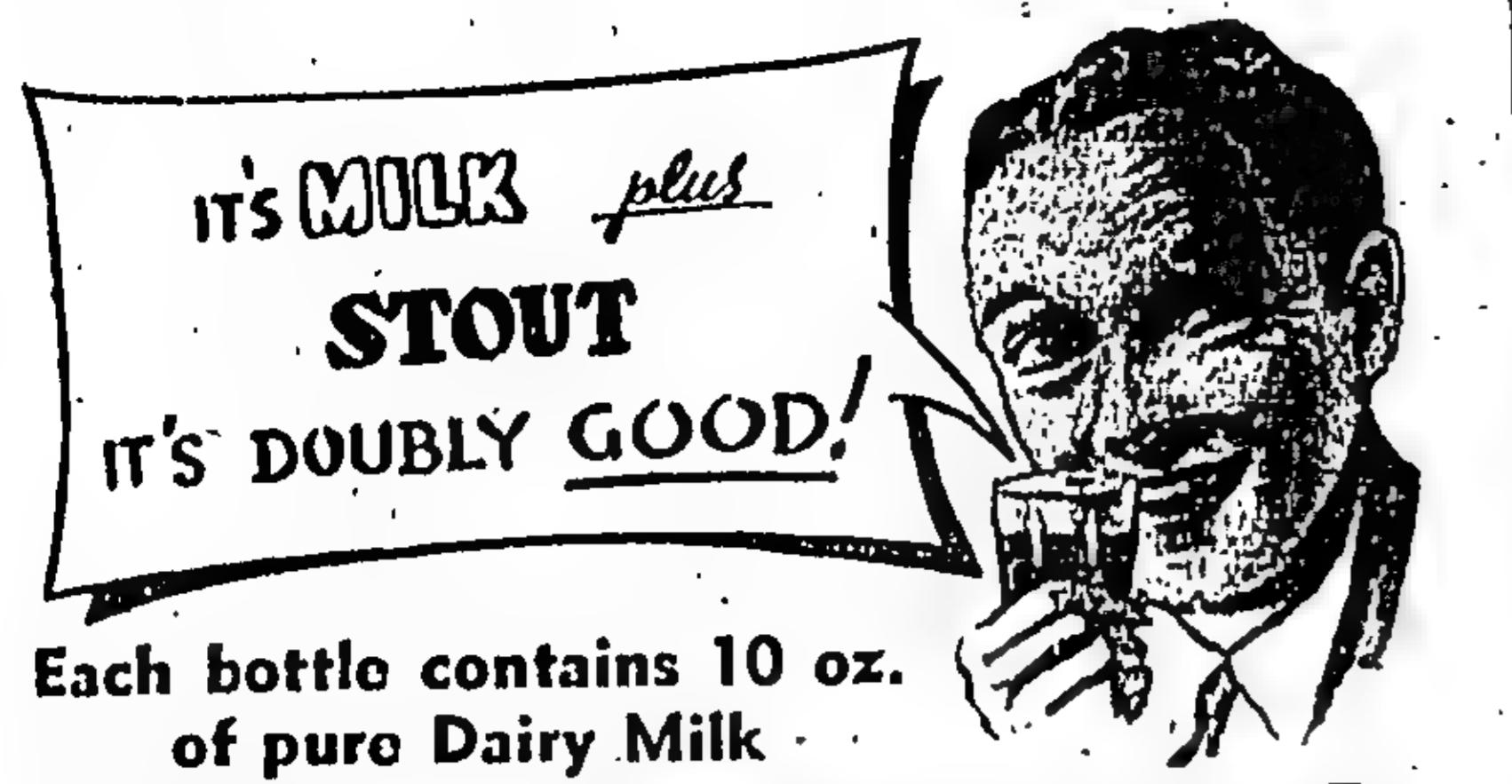


"Every year I gotta stay behind a week or so after the missus goes south—saves her worrying about whether she left the bath water running or the gas on!"

Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

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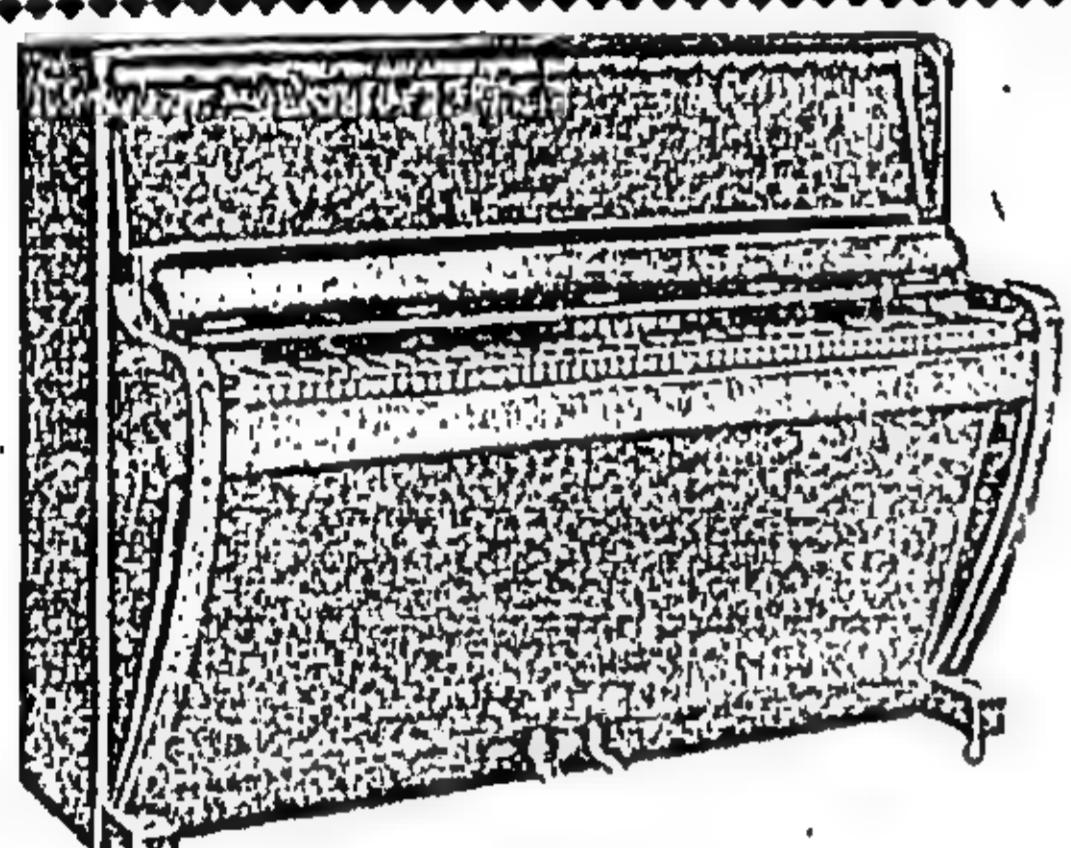


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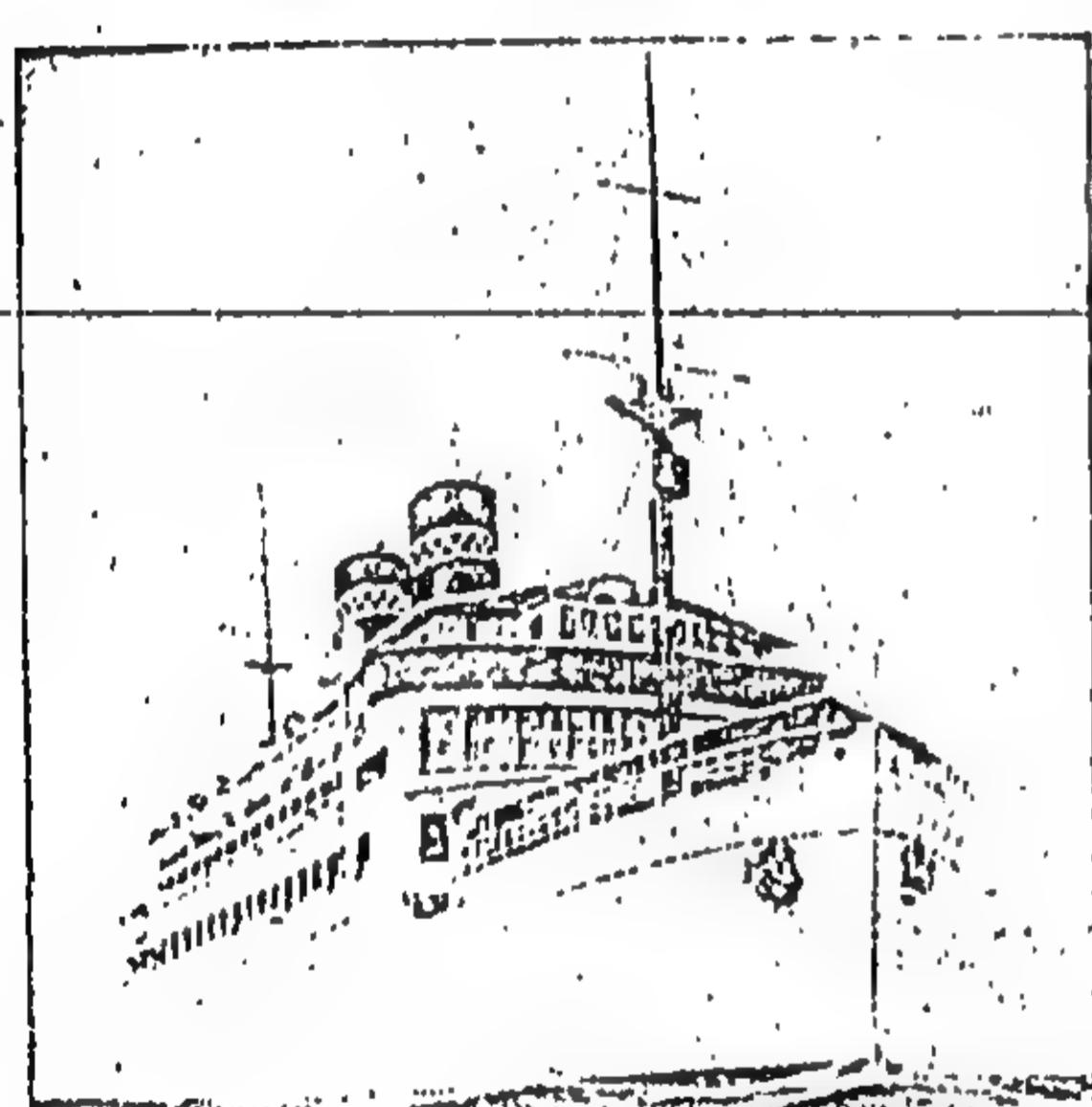
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DEATH

SADICK.—Christine, aged 27 years, beloved wife of O. Sadick, this morning at her residence at No. 52, Victoria Road. Funeral will take place this afternoon passing the Monument at 3 p.m.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The family and relatives of the late Bertha Maria Noronha d'Azevedo wish to express their thanks for kind sympathy in their recent bereavement, for attendance at the funeral, letters of condolence, floral tributes and Holy Mass Offering.

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HITLER'S HEADACHE

CHAPLIN may have intended to satirise Hitler in "The Great Dictator", yet Charlie's imaginative study of the Fuehrer as a spoilt, bad-tempered little boy who screams and raves when things don't go as he wants them to, comes very near the truth judged in the light of Hitler's latest speech to his people. It consisted of nothing but vague, generalised boastings and threats of what he and his military forces were going to do to Britain and her Allies. And these boastings were the product not of confidence, but of irritation and desperation caused by frustration of his magical schemes to eliminate Britain, his greatest and most deadly foe.

For these are the facts which Hitler had to face up to during the week-end, but which, to his own people, he would not admit: Britain had foreshadowed him in his Balkans quest by placing a formidable army in Greece ready to withstand any invasion from Bulgaria; Yugoslavia, undoubtedly encouraged by this fact, had told Hitler to go and play in his lair at Berchtesgaden before they would sign away their freedom to him; The great Italian offensive launched under the personal direction of Mussolini has become a fiasco and a disaster; the Italians have lost some 50,000 men and have not regained an inch of territory; the Lent and Lease Bill has become immediately operative and already supplies are being rushed across the Atlantic to Britain; Hitler's night raiders have been given the worst beating since the start of the war, providing fresh emphasis to the fact that the Luftwaffe is being slowly, but surely driven out of the skies.

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SEA POWER and the WORLD WAR

The brilliant military campaign in the Mediterranean, with all its means, rests with the British. The result is that British and Italian armies of invasion have been able to throw them back in disarray to bombard the Italian forces in Libya. The only forces in the rear from the made possible by sea power, sea, and the supply of reinforcements. When Italy intervened in force, the war was mainly fought by sea to the Italian forces invading Egypt and securing control of the Suez Canal. This would have been facilitated by the German drive to the British advancing through the Balkans and forces, and their wounded Turkey to the oilfields of and prisoners evacuated by water. Another result of

By Lord Strabolgi

The correct strategy was this failure to risk all on a for the Italian Navy to be great naval engagement is concentrated and to seek at that the Italian Navy is un-decisive engagement with a able to help its army against numerically inferior British Greeks by creating Fleet based on Alexandria, diversions on the coast of Apparently the Italian Greeks or by sending sea Higher Command believed expeditions to operate in the that the same object could be achieved by evasive or

guerilla tactics. They hoped that the blockade of Italy could lure the British Fleet into the Italian Admirals within striking distance of their submarines or by using their own Air Force and thus to win a naval battle sporadic attacks and threats. But unless these are successful beyond all normal prospects of naval warfare they will not affect the main issue. Once

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more the lessons of history are similar to the blunder made by the German High Command at the beginning of the last war. Then there was a favourable period when the British Fleet could have been engaged with poses of superior naval power. This was a strategical mistake of the first order, and made plain for us in this war.

Outside the Mediterranean the economic pressure of the blockade continues on Germany, and any attempt at invasion of the British Islands will always be an operation of the greatest danger so long as Britain dis-

haves been engaged with poses of superior naval power.

Some hope of success, but it had been widely held by

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has not happened in practice except in the abnormal case of the invasion of Norway. There

the threat of air attack pre-damaged by air attack, vented the full use of British and French naval power on the three, or possibly four, of German lines of communication.

Since then there has been more experience in countering air attack on warships at sea while the German air superiority has been much reduced.

The result is that the main Italian battle fleet is seriously reduced in numbers, and the effectiveness of superior naval control.

The great shipbuilding programme in Britain is bearing fruit, and every month increases the command of the Eastern naval control.

The Boy Who Started Life on a Shoe-string!



THE FARCE OF THE REICHSTAG

THE great shindig show with much noise has again been enacted in long-suffering Berlin. Hitler, having returned from one of his tours to the defeated, called the Reichstag to tell his henchmen all about his adventures.

What a farce. Just a few yards away from the Kroll Opera House is to be found the original Reichstag building which was supposed to have been burned to the ground by the dastardly Communist conspiracy in the early days of Hitler's dictatorship. Actually in that same fire only a very small portion of the great building was burned out—that of the original democratic

No, for Hitler there must be a far more imposing setting. The big Kroll Opera House provides it. Here is a vast expanse where you can erect really fine rostrums and hang gigantic banners which are meat and drink to a true gauleiter. Strange metaphor you may say, but I have never yet seen a district leader in Germany unless he was surrounded by bunting as long as a battleship's "paying off" pennant.

But this solemn farce, which takes the place of the one time freely elected Parliament, is a sad tawdry affair. And es-

By Norman Hillson

callly elected chamber of deputies. In point of fact there is a Europe of a happier hour. So many Parliaments have many who think it was a top-priority. The flames did not do more than a decade, in far less, damage, for although Berlin contains very many hideous buildings, there is surely nothing so grotesque as the one time German Parliament house.

Hitler is well aware of this. If the Reichstag had survived it could never in Nazi eyes have been a worthy setting for the body of Nazi nominees who fulminated of Adolf Hitler. For travel to Berlin to cheer the reason the burned out Leader no matter what latest chamber is kept in its charred shell of hyperbole he is putting state as a reminder to good citizens of the dastardly methods of with sufficient vigour at the cry of Communism, although it is of the cheer leaders, their names are noted and a convenient opportunity is taken to remove them to another sphere of usefulness.

Mussolini, like all dictators, also deprived the Italians of a constitutional parliament. One of the dearly prized privileges of those Italians who laboured for the unification of their land was the written constitution known as the Statuto.

This document established Italy as a constitutional monarchy with a Senate of 300 members and a Chamber, elected by adult suffrage of 630.

The system, even with the volatile Italian, worked very well, but it was not good enough for Mussolini and his Blackshirts. He swept the old Chamber away while still nominally retaining the Senate. The Chamber to-day is a "synthetic corporation". Its members are supposed to be elected. What actually happens is that the voters as a whole are presented with a list of candidates, naturally selected and heavily selected, whom they must elect or reject, willy-nilly. Of course they always elect.

Now this rascal Quisling in Norway is also aping the game of the more successful invaders. It is in progress of abolishing the famous Storting. Storting was the name given to the Norwegian Parliament of 180 members. One quarter of these sat in an upper chamber known as the Lading and the rest in a lower house called the Odelsting. This last body was the more important for in our own system it controlled all money bills.

One day better time will return to the world. Let us hope that better time will bring about a revival of the great Parliamentary institutions, yes, even the Reichstag.

Last of the Biplanes

British, Canadian and Australian fighter pilots have re-crafted more appropriately named curvy engine of 840 h.p. gives it a top speed of around 255 m.p.h. But never was a combat aircraft so well known for its glories in the arena. Desert with fighter and bomber. Although speed is not its great aircraft of Italy's Regia Aero-asset, probably no aircraft has nautica. Among the aircraft ever been designed more suited they have used is the Gloster to the close and intricate Gladiator, last of the long line manoeuvres of air fighting. Some of the most spectacular aeronautics and breathtaking formation flying seen at Hendon Displays before the war were carried out by Gladiators. And, as the first British fighter to mount more than two guns—four being the Gladiator's standard armament—it was the first multi-gun fighter to go into service. Gladiators were also used for the high altitude "weather flights" which were a feature of pre-war days.

Names of British fighter aircraft are singularly apt. "Hurricane" and "Spitfire" have caught the imagination of friend and foe, typifying as they do the great speed and devastating fire-power of these modern eight-gunned monoplane types.

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Technically, the Gladiator may be described as a single-seat, equal-span biplane with metal structure fuselage and wings. Wing span is about 32 feet—five feet less than the Spitfire.

ARMED U. S. AID FOR BRITAIN

WASHINGTON, Mar. 17 (Reuter).—Steps to implement America's pledge to Britain mentioned to-day are firstly, the early release to Britain of a further considerable number of over-age destroyers; and secondly, the giving, shortly, of armed naval aid.

Legislative circles spoke privately but very definitely regarding destroyers while the naval aid report was given by Mr William Simms, chief writer on foreign affairs in the Scripps-Howard newspapers.

Hands Are Full

Mr Simms asserts that armed aid, particularly naval aid, is foreseen as a virtual certainty following the President's speech on Saturday. He adds that it is believed in Washington that Britain's hands are too full effectively to fight off the new submarine menace and a new kind of help from America may become vital in view of President Roosevelt's statements that America would not cease aid until the "tyrants are totally defeated."

Fully qualified observers, Mr Simms adds, feel that giving over-age destroyers and mosquito boats is only a temporary measure to be followed by intervention by the United States Navy and the transfer of merchant shipping.

Workers Needed

WASHINGTON, Mar. 17 (Reuter).—Vital defence industries were reported officially to-day to be facing a rapidly dwindling supply of skilled labour just when the Government is preparing to give effect to the British Air programme by increasing armament orders by over 60 per cent.

This was made clear at a conference of the Metal Trades Management and Labour representatives with the United States Production Chiefs, Mr William Knudsen and Mr Sidney Hillman, Miss Perkins, the Secretary of Labour, and other officials.

Strong Words

Opening the conference, Mr. Knudsen said: "We have got to go into production in America on a scale never approached before. Our need for ships and propulsion machinery for ships, tanks and planes is so great that upon you rests the responsibility of training more people in the shortest possible time in order to meet the deliveries sorely needed here and abroad."

Mr Knudsen urged ship-builders specifically to "give every skilled man three helpers to learn his work."

Plane Gifts To Empire

All Sources Contribute

LONDON, Mar. 17 (British Wireless).—After subscribing £100,000 for the purchase of fighter aircraft the people of Trinidad have sent a further amount of £10,000 as the first instalment for the purchase of bombers.

The Oliver's and Hurlingham districts of Britain have sent £5,000 for the purchase of aircraft.

The Governor of the French Cameroun has put at the disposal of the British Consul General at Duala, two boxes of gold amounting in value to £5,000 for the purchase of a Spitfire. Already one such gift has been made by public subscription and another purchase is well on the way.

Statement On Sale Of U. K. Stock

LONDON, Mar. 17 (Reuter).—A British Treasury statement on the sale of British holdings in the American Viscose Corporation says that 90 per cent. of a public issue to be made in the United States will go to the Treasury.

The shares now sold totalled 448,000 shares which were held by Courtauld Limited (the great British rayon concern). The price to be paid to Courtauld will be settled between the Company and the Treasury or by arbitration.

This is the first fruit of the Peacock mission, which was to examine the possibility of making the best of British investments in the United States.

Determination

The statement adds: "The sale of this valuable holding to American interests is evidence of the determination of the British Government to use every possible means of self-help at a time when they are receiving from the Government of the United States the measures of assistance set out in President Roosevelt's great speech on Saturday."

Appeal To Red Party

CHUNGKING, Mar. 18 (Central News).—The Institute of Sunyatsen yesterday addressed a telegram to Mao Tse-tung, Lin Tsu-tao, Tung Pi-wei, Teng Ying-chao, Wu Yu-chang, Chen Shao-yu and Chin Peng-hsien, the seven Communist members of the People's Political Council, urging them to sink factional differences in the interests of the nation and the cause of national regeneration through the war of resistance and reconstruction.

The message recited that the Chinese Communist Party had pledged allegiance to the San Min Chu-i, the National Government and Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and appealed to it to fulfil its pledge.

Bomber Captured

LONDON, Mar. 17 (British Wireless).—The only Italian bomber to fly over Nairobi, states the Air Ministry, did so the other day, piloted by a South African Air Force pilot.

The Caproni, a three-engined monoplane, had been flown 650 miles from Mogadisho, where it was left by the Italians in the process of overhaul when they made their hurried departure.

NEW DELHI, Mar. 17 (Reuter).—In response to the appeal issued by the Director General of Supply, 405 revolvers, 252 compasses and 479 binoculars were received.

Society Beauties & Factory Girls to Work Together

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, Mar. 17 (UP).—Daughters of the English peerage as well as Bertha the Beautiful Clothes Model, and Tillie the Toiler, were warned to-day by the Minister of Labour and National Service, Mr Ernest Bevin, to be ready to line up April 19 when every girl in Britain who is 20 years of age, will register for war work. Their 21 year old sisters will register in anti-air shells "somewhere in Britain" alongside the girl who used to check her mink coat. It is even possible that superior skill will make a waitress an industrial boss over the society girl.

Mr Bevin emphasized that no exceptions would be allowed in the registration of girls of 20 and 21 years of age. The only exemption will be for those girls already serving in the auxiliary forces or nursing. Mr Bevin said, "We intend to make the system into the most humane and most decent exercise with the greatest care for everyone's feelings and qualifications."

Following the registration, National Service officials in their respective districts will interview each girl and give her a choice of jobs, after determining her fitness. Service officials have the power to compel a girl to take the job they deem best, although Mr Bevin said they would try, as far as possible, to permit their choices and enable them to work near their homes.

He asserted: "We are going to use common sense in this registration—for example, we will not call up expectant mothers." Asked if brides would be given three months exemption, Mr Bevin said it would not be possible.

He emphasized that the women's auxiliary services still needed volunteers and it was still possible to volunteer for war work, adding, "It is the supreme test of citizenship to offer one's hands and body for essential jobs."

JUSTICE IN NAZI NORWAY

Judges Over-Ruled

LONDON, Mar. 17 (Reuter).—The new Peoples' Court established by Quislings in Oslo has already begun work.

Sixteen labour members of the Oslo Municipal Council, were accused of having taken part in a "demonstration against the New Order" and "having acted in a counter-revolutionary manner."

The two judges held that there was no case against the accused since they had not been guilty of any overt act. The judges, however, were overruled by the Presiding Magistrate and two lay magistrates who were all supporters of the National Samling (Quisling Party) placed in their positions to ensure that there was always a majority for Nazi "justice."

The Sentences

Two of the accused were sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment, two more to 15 months and the remainder were bound over.

All were excluded for ten years from participation in public affairs, thus automatically depriving them of seats in the Municipal Council.

Compulsory Service Tribunal

Two Cases Heard

Two cases were heard this morning by the Compulsory Service Appeal Tribunal, comprising the Chief Justice, Sir Alton MacGregor (Chairman), Brig. A. Peffer and Hon. M. S. H. Dodwell.

The first case was that of Mr J. J. King, of Falconer and Co., who asked for re-assignment from the Combatant Group to the Essential Services Group on the ground that he could not find time for Volunteer training.

Mr King said that he was the son of European in charge of the firm, which was an agent for Admiralty charts the sale of which had to be looked after by a responsible person. Because of this he could not find time for training, although he would very much like to remain a Volunteer.

The Chairman said that the case was not an easy one as it did not strictly come within the purview of the Tribunal, but in view of what Mr King had said he would recommend that he be transferred to the Essential Services Group.

Second Appeal

The other appellant was Mr A. J. W. Evans, of the British Cigarette Co., who appealed against being assigned to the Combatant Group on the ground that the nature of his work was such that he could not find time for training.

Mr Evans said that he solely was in charge of the manufacturing of cigarettes and he had to be on the spot the whole time. He was also responsible for the factory and machinery. In the event of an emergency and because of this he had just started on an A.R.P. course.

The Chairman remarked that he realized Mr Evans had a grave responsibility to his employers but if there were an emergency all this would go by the board. Further, there was nothing in the case which would induce the Tribunal to depart from what had been regarded as a sound rule—that persons of Mr Evans' age and medical category should be in the Combatant Group. The appeal was dismissed.

STOCK EXCHANGE

Yugo-Slav Influence

LONDON, Mar. 17 (Reuter).—The Stock Exchange to-day was cheerfully influenced by President Roosevelt's speech and the former Yugoslavia attitude.

Industries were meeting fair general inquiry with Courtaulds, a special feature, advancing 2/- to 29/- on American Viscose sale.

Gilt-edged holdings turned dull but Indian stocks were firm, as also were home rails and Kullers.

Wall Street was firm.

GERMAN CLAIM

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Mar. 17 (UP).—The official news agency reports that German torpedo planes last Sunday attacked a strong British naval force 40 kilometres west of Grete, making direct torpedo hits on two battleships which were, for a long time, enveloped in black smoke clouds. The British squadron consisted of two battleships, six cruisers and several destroyers.

Vivid News-Reel At Queen's Theatre

Patrons attending the Queen's Theatre during the next three days will be given the opportunity of seeing and enjoying a notable Paramount news-reel which takes the form of an interview with President Roosevelt, who in measured and definite terms, explains the United States policy regarding the war against Nazism. In the course of the pictorial interview, President Roosevelt uses phrases which will go down in history as epoch-making. The President's message is timely and urgent.

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U. S. SEEKS Largest Air Force In World

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, Mar. 17 (17) (Dome).—The United States is now conducting a pilot training programme designed to produce the largest air force in the world, the "New York Times" reports.

The Army and the Navy together, only a few months ago, were turning out pilots at the rate of a few hundreds yearly, but under the new programme they are producing that many pilots in a single month.

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Well-informed sources believe that the combined pilot strength of the Army and the Navy will aggregate about 20,000 men by late summer with the Army having at least 83,000 trained ground crew, says the "New York Times".

Meanwhile, it is understood that a civilian pilot training programme is being built up a reserve of partly trained pilots, including 10,000 college students who will soon be pursuing advanced courses for the purpose of joining the Army

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By Ernie Bushmiller

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Bristol People Trapped By Lull in Air "Blitz"

Special to the "Telegraph"

BRISTOL, Mar. 17 (UP).—A lull between two air raids here last night fooled many people, who left the air raid shelters and went to bed. They were caught in an intense "blitz" in which there were many casualties, including some killed.

High explosive bombs crashed into a church crypt where a large number of people were taking shelter and many were killed. Another public shelter was hit causing many deaths.

Official Communique

LONDON, Mar. 17 (UP).—An Air Ministry communique states that high explosive bombs caused a fire which did "considerable damage" in a west England town during an air raid last night, lasting some hours.

WAR BONDS FOR BROOCHES

—Paying In Kind

CHUNGKING, Mar. 17 (Central News).—For the convenience of those who like to dispose of their gold and silver ornaments, bullion or other things readily convertible into cash, the War Loans Campaign Committee has announced a set of regulations concerning subscription to the 1940 issue of government bonds by "paying in kind."

It is specified that the gold and silver exchange agency of the Central Bank of China will be responsible for appraising and cashing such ornaments.

The authorities reserve the right of refusing acceptance of certain types of payment in kind which cannot be readily converted into cash.

HYDERABAD, Mar. 17 (Reuter).—The Nizam's Government has offered to raise a full R.I.A.S.C. company.

Exchange At A Glance

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| T.T. India | .02% |
| T.T. U.S.A. | .24% |
| T.T. Manila | .48% |
| T.T. Batavia | .45% |
| T.T. Bangkok | 149% |
| T.T. Saigon | 104% |
| T.T. France | 102% |
| T.T. Switzerland | 1/6% |
| T.T. Australia | 1/6% |

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| 4 m/s L/C London | 1/3% |
| 4 m/s D/P London | 1/3% |
| 4 m/s L/C U.S.A. | .25 |
| 4 m/s France | — |
| 30 d/s India | .84% |
| U.S. Cross rate in London | 4.02% |
| U.S. Cross rate in N.Y. | 4.03% |

JAPANESE TALKS IN N.E.I.

—Friendly
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BATAVIA, Mar. 17 (Domei).—The Japanese Ambassador, Mr. Kenkichi Yoshizawa, chief delegate to the Japanese-Dutch economic conversations, will leave on Friday for a visit to Medan on the northeastern part of the island.

Mr. Yoshizawa met Mr. H. J. van Mook, Director of Economic Affairs of the Netherlands East Indies Government, on Saturday for 40 minutes "in a friendly atmosphere."

U.S. Warships On Goodwill Visit
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
WASHINGTON, Mar. 17 (UP).—British diplomatic sources to-day regarded the goodwill visit of six American warships to Auckland as a demonstration of Far East co-operation between the United States and Britain.

The Navy Department disclosed that two of the newest 10,000-ton cruisers and four destroyers were dispatched from the base at Pearl Harbour for a three-day visit, and it is believed that the vessels had already arrived before the announcement was made last night.

The move is regarded as another chapter in the "war of nerves" in the Pacific, the ships being dispatched as Mr. Matsukata left for Berlin while the action was closely followed by President Roosevelt's declaration of the utmost aid for China.

Royal Air Force Awards
Woman Gets O.B.E.

LONDON, Mar. 17 (British Wires).—Squadron Leader R. M. Longmore, son of Air Chief Marshal Sir Arthur Longmore, receives the O.B.E. Recipients of decorations are:

C.B.—Air Vice-Marshal N. H. Bottomley, F. J. Linnell, G. R. M. Reid and R. Paul.

C.B.E.—Acting Air Vice-Marshal G. R. Bromel, Air Commodore E. S. Goodwin and Group Captain G. M. Lay.

Forty-four officers are awarded the O.B.E. One of these is a woman.

Female Insignia of the W.A.A.F.

Other awards comprise one M.C., nine A.F.C.'s (one posthumous), two M.M.'s, three A.F.M.'s and 14 M.B.E.'s.

Work With Government

The projected agency will also co-operate with Government authorities for the mobilisation of materials, control of the demand and supply of materials, adjustment of labour among Japanese, Manchukuo and Chinese industries, and distribution of technicians.

FRANCO-THAI AGREEMENT

SAIGON, Mar. 17 (UP).—It is officially stated that four Government experts will leave for Tokyo on Wednesday from Hanoi to set down the details of the Franco-Thai agreement.

Chinese Journalism

CHUNGKING, Mar. 18 (Central News).—At the meeting of the Chinese Institute of Journalism yesterday Messrs T. T. Hsiao, Tsao Kuo-ping, Peng Kch-cheng, Chow Hsinyu, Thomas Meng-heng, Chao, Ma Hsin-yeh and Ho Lien-kwai were elected executive directors. Mr Pan Kung-chang, Bishop Paul Yu Pin, Messrs Cheng Chang-po, Kang Hushin, and Lo Cheng-leh were elected members of the Standing Committee of the Board of Supervisors.

William Hearst Speaks Out For Mr Roosevelt

NEW YORK, Mar. 17 (Reuter).—"We are in the conflict now, irrevocably involved in it," is the comment of Mr. William Randolph Hearst, the American newspaper magnate, on President Roosevelt's speech in to-day's "New York Journal-American."

Mr. Hearst described the speech as "good," adding: "The United States has been brought into war by a masterly series of good speeches... We must unite in standing by the Government we have elected and the policy we have determined upon. There is only one way out of our situation now and that is by victory."

British Honour Gen. Papagos

LONDON, Mar. 17 (Reuter).—The Greek Commander-in-Chief, General Alexander Papagos, is to be made an honorary Knight Grand Cross (Military Division) of the Order of the British Empire, it was announced in London to-night.

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DEFENCE BILL SIGNED

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Mar. 17 (UP).—

President Roosevelt to-day signed the

fourth supplemental defence appropria-

tion bill for \$1,533,000,000.

The Navy portion is \$601,000,000

including funds to continue work on

the Atlantic bases acquired from

Britain and also numerous Pacific

projects including Guam and Samoa.

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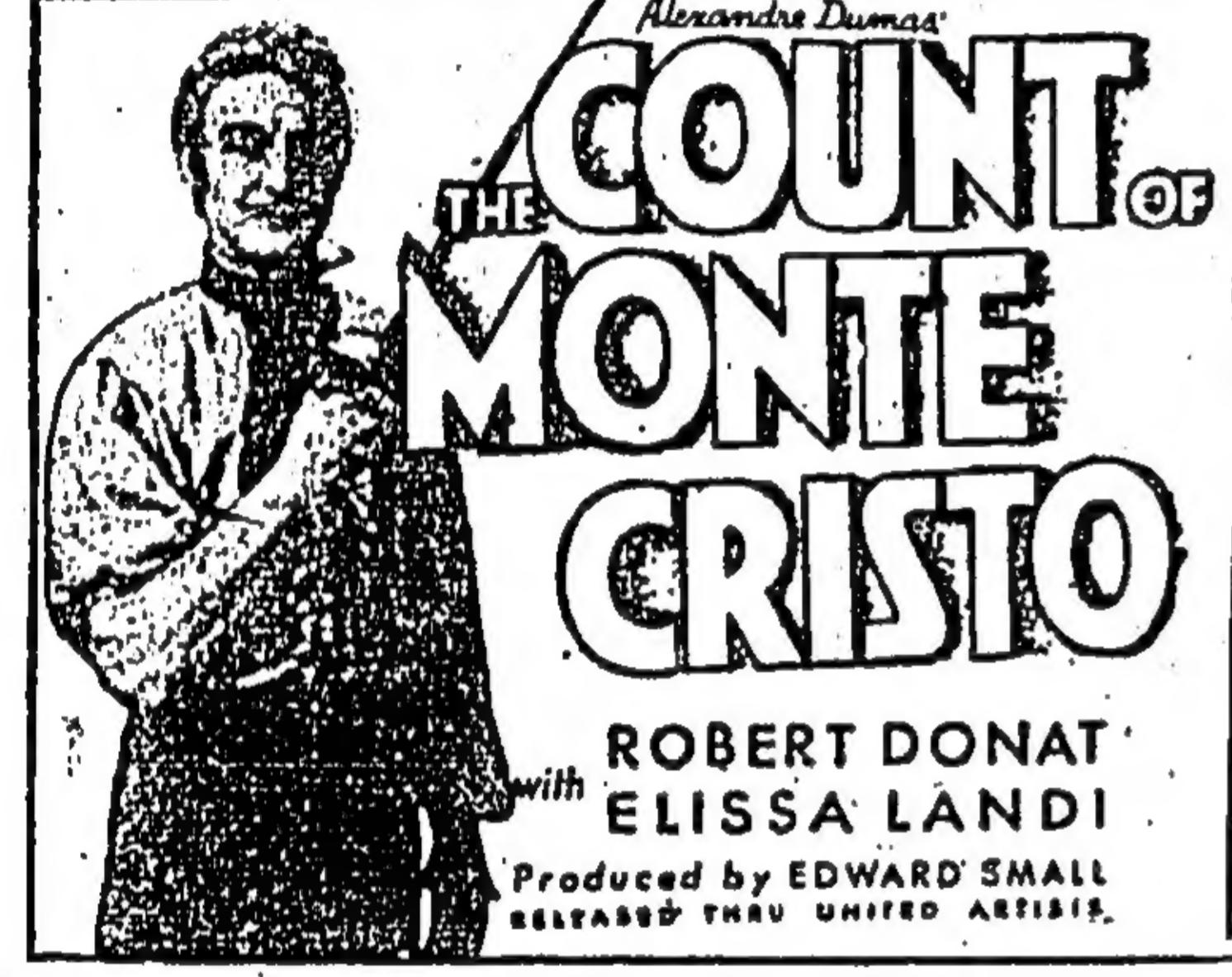
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Many Die In Blizzard

U. S. States Blanketed In 8-Foot Drifts

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

FARGO, N.D., Mar. 17 (UP).—Rescuers continued to find frozen bodies in snowdrifts today. The known dead now amounts to 57 in North Dakota and Minnesota.

Bitter cold hampered the searchers, the temperatures ranging as low as 7 to 17 below zero. The drifts are eight feet deep in many places.

Most of the victims were found frozen near automobiles or on roads on which they were trying to reach safety.

About 20 persons are reported to be still missing.

Moves On To Canada

NEW YORK, Mar. 17 (UP).—The storm centre has swung northward over Canada after taking at least 60 lives in Minnesota and North Dakota. A cold wave with strong winds is expected along the Atlantic coast but the main brunt of the storm is expected to pass to the north.

British Firms Are Victimized

FROM PAGE ONE

such acts against neutral interests with clearly defined rights."

Trade At Standstill

Speaking of British trade in Hongkow, Mr Tait asserted: "Apart from a few shipments previously arranged early in the year, there has been no British or foreign participation in any export trade unless the local sale of balances of accumulated stocks of wood oil, bristles, tea and cotton to interests rigorously controlled by the Japanese authorities can be so described.

"On the import side, there was not one British trade transaction reported."

Mr Tait proceeded: "Looking down the river, the page of progress is quite blank. Tenancy and use of British properties continue to be forcibly denied and even the chimera of re-opening the Yangtze to foreign trade and navigation as far as Nanking has faded so that to-day, out of the 1,400-mile stretch from Shanghai to Chungking, the British services operate only the last 170 miles."

The Chairman stated that all British and foreign tonnage, excluding Japanese, remained idle all the year long and even yet the full legitimate use of wharves and piers had not been restored in spite of fresh approaches to the Japanese who continued to enforce their prohibitions owing to "military necessity."

RETAKING OF BERBERA

FROM PAGE ONE

whole Imperial forces in north-east Africa will be available for employment where they can best be utilized.

Supply Route Open

CAIRO, Mar. 17 (Reuter).—With the recapture of Berbera, another threat to Adulis Alaba is developing, a British spokesman stated here this evening.

Empire troops are now steadily closing on the heart of the Italian Empire from 13 points.

The recapture of Berbera, the spokesman added, is also expected to ease the supply problem considerably.

It is recalled here that when the Italians entered Berbera in August, 1940, Rome radio proclaimed that the collapse of the British Empire was inevitable, and that the Red Sea had been closed to the Royal Navy.

It is not yet possible to say whether the British successes on the Keren front are a prelude to an offensive or form part of the steady fighting which has been going on for six weeks, but "Reuter" is told: "Things are boiling up at Keren again."

European Officer Acquitted

Assault On Chinese

The summons against J. F. Walters, Chief Engineer, a.s.s. Kau Tung, for assaulting an Immigration Officer, Mr Pau Poo-kwan, was dismissed by Mr G. T. Lowry at Central Magistracy this morning when judgment was delivered.

Walters was charged with assaulting Mr Pau when the latter tried to prevent him from leaving the vessel on the morning of February 16.

It was stated at the last hearing that after Walters had left his ship and was on the wharf, Complainant, who was standing in the gangway, called out some abusive words after him. The words so provoked Defendant that he returned and hit Complainant.

Mr J. H. B. Lee, of the Immigration Department, prosecuted, and the defense was conducted by Mr D. L. Strellet.

Blow Was Struck

His Worship's Judgment said: As I said the last time the case came up there was no dispute as to the fact that a blow was struck, and I also said that I was satisfied that it was struck not because the Defendant was trying to prevent Complainant from doing his duty, but because of the provocative words used by Complainant.

The Defendant was undoubtedly guilty of common assault, but the summons against him was for obstructing Complainant in the execution of his duties. These two offences are entirely of different nature, and I therefore find Defendant not guilty of the summons made against him.

LATE NEWS

Traffic Cases

17 Bus Drivers In Court

E. B. Teedale, of Starlight Villa, Victoria Road, Pokfulam, was fined \$5 by Mr H. C. Macnamara at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, when he was summoned for leaving his car, No. 6341, unattended in Salisbury Road near the Star Ferry from 1.20 p.m. to 6.25 p.m. on February 12. He admitted the offence.

Seventeen drivers of buses belonging to the Kowloon Motor Bus Company were cautioned for failing to stop their buses close to the left of the road when picking up or setting down passengers. They all pleaded guilty.

RICE SITUATION IN HONGKONG

FROM PAGE ONE

stocks consisted of rice of different qualities.

Silent About Stocks

He stated that by far the greater proportion of rice consumed in the Colony was of the poorer qualities, but he declined to release figures of the stocks held under the Control Scheme beyond saying that the position was entirely satisfactory.

It will be recalled in this connection that the original aim of the Government under the essential commodities conservation scheme was to acquire a reserve stock of 1,300,000 piculs which, together with approximately 200,000 piculs normally held by merchants, is estimated to be sufficient for five months' consumption, basing the rate of consumption at 10,000 piculs per day with an estimated population of 1,500,000.

Women Doctors For The Army

NEW DELHI, Mar. 17 (Reuter).—A number of posts in the British military medical services in India will be opened to British women medical practitioners, it is announced.

The selected candidates will be attached to the R.A.M.C. as medical officers with military status but without commissions.

It is proposed in the first instance to employ the selected candidates in British military families and hospitals.

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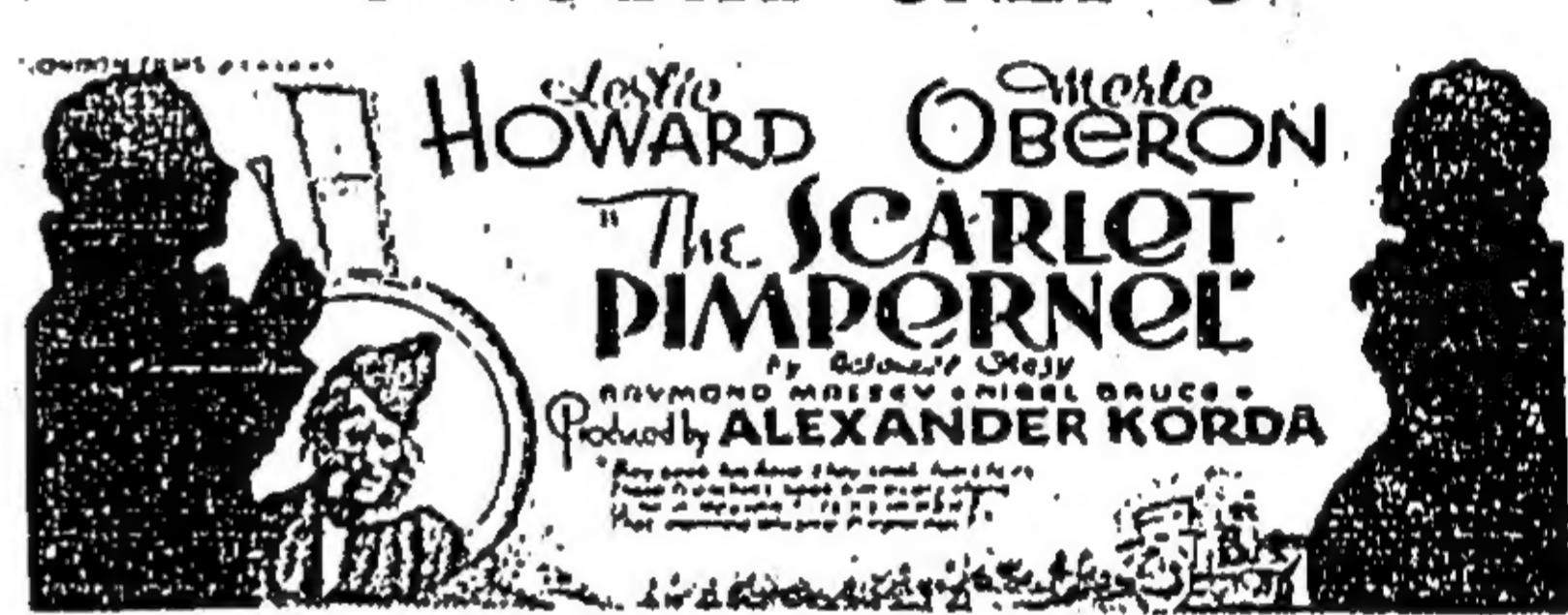
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Thyssen's Fate

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ZURICH, Mar. 17 (UP).—As far as can be ascertained, Herr Fritz Thyssen, the well known German industrialist, is still in German hands at an unknown place after the French authorities, last December, had taken him from Cannes to Vichy.

MR MATSUOKA

LONDON, Mar. 17 (Reuter).—Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka, the Japanese Foreign Minister, has arrived at the Russian frontier station of Olpor, states a message to the German official news agency. He is on his way to Berlin.

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